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There are now sixteen Baptist churches in Rio, Brazil.

Dr. J. C. Hardy of Baylor College lost his home by fire a short time ago.

Deemer Church—Neshoba County on Honor Roll. Rev. R. L. Breland, Pastor.

Seventy-six millionaires in the United States committed suicide in 1921.

Holy orders and holy rollers: There's plenty of room between these two for the right kind of Christians.

The Baptist Churches of Atlanta received over 1200 members in the recent city wide evangelistic campaign.

The man who can put can into canvass in his church is the same man to take pain out of campaign.

Pastor A. J. Barton has just closed a good meeting in his church, Calvary, in Alexandria, La. There were sixty five additions.

Pastor Mitchell was assisted in a meeting at Calhoun City by Dr. H. L. Martin. There were 25 additions to the church.

Pastor W. B. Holcomb has just closed a great meeting at Wesson in which he was assisted by his son, H. R., of Mansfield, La.

Pastor A. C. Parker ordained some new deacons last Sunday at Rehoboth church, Rankin County. He had Deacon Aven of Clinton to make the address.

Mr. Luther Lane of Tulsa, Okla. will place in the new Central Church in McComb a memorial window to his mother who recently passed over the river.

The Sunday School Times of Philadelphia will publish in an early issue an account of the great revival in Czechoslovakia which will be of general interest.

Prohibition in Europe could pay all the national debts. But some people would rather set the world on fire and then burn up their stomachs into the bargain.

M. A. Treadwell of the Ft. Worth Seminary locates at Nocona, Texas. They give him a pounding and pay their pledge to the campaign. He will give them as good as he gets.

Many a man would be no worse off for doing without one meal a day, say supper or breakfast. How much could be done in this way toward supplying the need of a perishing multitude?

It seems that when Japan is getting ready to push further into Siberia, they precede the movement by an announcement that they are preparing to withdraw their soldiers from that country.

Don't block the procession; pass the money on to the mission secretary. There are some church treasurers whose offices need lubricating. We once heard of an old lady who had taken so many pills that her joints were ball-bearing. Well we need some ball bearing joints in our financial machinery.

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE.

Thursday May 18th 8 P. M. .... Fine Arts Concert  
Friday May 19th 8 P. M. .... Expression Concert  
Saturday, May 20th 8 P. M. .... Popular Concert  
Sunday May 21st 11 A. M., Commencement Sermon  
Rev. W. Rufus Beckett, Philadelphia, Miss.  
Sunday May 21st 8 P. M. .... Sacred Concert  
Monday, May 22nd 8 P. M. .... Commencement Exercises.

Baccalaureate Address, Miss Belle Kearney.  
All of our friends are cordially invited to be present.

J. L. Johnson, President.

The Northwestern Christian Advocate speaking of "filming" Bible stories, says, "But they must be interpreted in the spirit and that is something our unregenerate actor is utterly unfitted to do."

A Presbyterian pastor has made trouble in his church, and will probably be put out of the pastorate, by marrying a couple in bathing suits. They object also to his running a "movie" in the church.

Dr. Russell H. Conwell, pastor of Grace Church, Philadelphia says that out of more than 5,000 marriages in his thirty years of his pastorate there has never been a divorce. This he attributes to religion.

Dr. Howard Taylor, son of J. Hudson Taylor who organized the China Inland Mission, was recently captured by bandits and held in China for \$20,000 ransom. We have not heard of his release as yet.

Suppose you could sum up the entire amount given by churches in Mississippi where the Baptist Record does not go. There would not be enough to furnish a Sunday School picnic with a good dinner.

An Exchange says, "The greatest cure for doubt is a good look." Perhaps it would be more accurate to say, that the greatest cure for doubt is the good Book, and it might be added the greatest cause of doubt is a bad book.

Can America throw rocks at Germany and Russia for wrecking the plans of the Genoa Conference? Did not America fall down on the Versailles Treaty and so delay if not actually prevent world peace?

Dr. A. L. Shelton, a medical missionary of the Disciples was murdered by robbers in Tibet while on his way to establish a hospital at Lhasa. At a memorial service held for him in his home in the West more than twenty volunteered to go as missionaries.

The Biblical Recorder seems to have had the breath knocked out of it. After telling briefly of the Methodist paper's having beaten it in the contest for new subscribers, it adds, "Will have something to say next week." More wind to you for the next race.

Brother T. J. Hewitt, for many years a leading citizen in his county and leading member of his church passed from his earthly home last week near McComb to his heavenly home. He

leaves a large group of sons who honor his name and memory.

Wiggins Church is said to have secured for pastor Rev. H. D. Wilson of Centerville, Ala.

We think we know a Baptist preacher who will rejoice at the whiskey makers being now in the toils of the law in Lauderdale County. He fought them hard before moving to another part of the state. One sows and another reaps, and all rejoice together.

A council of fallible cardinals recently elected an infallible pope and he immediately proceeds to tell them what they must do. Maybe they do not beat us so bad after all. Haven't you seen a democratic Baptist Church elect deacons who immediately became a "board of deacons" and began to tell the folks what to do instead of doing what the folks told them to do.

The Texas Baptist Standard says of Pastor T. L. Holcomb's address at the Organized Bible Class Convention in Texas: "This was one of the outstanding addresses of the Convention and none delivered during the convention was more practical and full of workable suggestions and effective methods." Just as we expected.

Dr. H. A. Porter tells of a conversation between two workers. One of them said, "They tell me your son is on the football team." "Yes," the other responded proudly, "he made the team." "And what position does he play?" "I don't know exactly, but I think he is one of the drawbacks." What place are you playing in this 75 million campaign?

Deacon A. J. Brown of Aberdeen is in his eighty-first year and says he is short in his physical activities but strong in spirit and love. Realizing that some will not be able to pay their pledges, he has not only paid his pledge of \$1,000 but \$250 additional, though the time is but little over half gone. And he proposes to make it \$1,500. Wish he could work with us until the Lord returns.

We had our chance to deal faithfully with the Lord by honoring him with our substance when times were good. Too many failed to bring then the tithes into the storehouse. Now because we failed under that test, God is trying us out by means of a period of financial depression. Will we fail him in this test? If we fail in this, what will God do next?

The International Sunday School Convention's Executive Committee has stricken Mr. W. J. Bryan's name from the list of speakers for the Convention to be held at Kansas City June 21. The reason at first given out was that Mr. Bryan's opposition to evolution put him in bad with the committee. But that didn't sound good; so it was modified in the official notice given out that Mr. Bryan was not a specialist in Sunday School work. Better be careful about that; for it is well known that Mr. Bryan teaches a very large Sunday School class, and sends out through the secular press every week a discussion of the Sunday School lesson. Mr. Bryan believes the Bible is the word of God, from Genesis to Revelation, and this disqualifies him with some people.



## THE NEXT CONVENTION.

By President E. Y. Mullins, D. D., LL. D.

I am, taking this means of sending out an appeal to pastors and laymen everywhere in the interest of a great meeting in Jacksonville. In some respects the meeting we are to hold in Jacksonville is the most important of the entire five-year Campaign period. There are a number of questions of the most vital interest to be considered by the Convention. It would be exceedingly unfortunate if there should be a serious falling off in attendance.

I have recently made a tour of Louisiana, covering the greater part of that state, speaking in the interest of the Seventy-five Million Campaign. It was most inspiring to note the revival activities of the Baptists in that State. In one church three hundred members had been baptized in the past few weeks, and the pastor said that all of them would be approached with a view to a contribution to the \$75,000,000.00 Fund. We ought to have a great meeting in Jacksonville, for the sake of these new members who have been added to our churches during the year and in order that the inspiration of the Campaign may not wane.

There are a number of important questions to be considered in the Convention itself. Is it not, therefore, a good time for every pastor and every layman who can possibly attend to plan to be present; and would it not be the finest preparation for the Convention if all of us should begin now earnestly to pray that the spirit of harmony and enthusiasm shall characterize the meeting? And would it not be the finest mental attitude to adopt if we should all come to the Convention believing that we would put aside the critical spirit and seek to find the best solution of all our problems, and present to the world the same united front which has characterized us so far during our Seventy-five Million Campaign?

In my opinion, our unity of spirit and purpose is the greatest single asset which we possess today, apart from the presence of our God. Let us conserve this unity and move forward to the great and shining goal, seeking divine guidance along the way. May God give us a great meeting in Jacksonville, is my prayer.

## ON MARS HILL.

B. P. Robertson.

Wednesday March 15th was spent by the passengers in our company, who are touring the Mediterranean countries, in Athens. We visited the Acropolis in the morning and viewed the ruins of the Parthenon and the two theaters. Some of us were more interested in Mars Hill than in anything else in Athens. While deeply interested in the place where Socrates drank the deadly hemlock, and the graves of the old cemetery where Plato, Aristotle and other Greek notables were once buried, yet we were more interested in the place where the Apostle Paul once stood in the midst of Mars Hill and preached the gospel to the philosophers and other noted men of Athens. I took a small party with me upon the rocky hill and tried to stand on the lower part of the rock while the people stood around me in front in amphitheater style, and I read from the 17th chapter of Acts the account of the occasion and the sermon of Paul. Rev. S. T. Conrad of Charlotte, N. C., led us in prayer. We felt sure we were in the very place where Paul preached that great sermon which resulted in the conversion of Dionysius the Areopagite, one of the leading citizens of Athens. Because of the historic environment and the present environment of the ruins of the idolatrous days, we entered into sympathy with the spirit of Paul, and we all received, it seemed, a new inspiration to live a more consecrated and courageous life in the service of our Lord. I will never forget the day when I stood on Mars Hill and worshipped my Lord.

Dr. S. J. Porter of Oklahoma City will preach the Convention sermon at Jacksonville.

## NEW ORLEANS INVITES 1923 CONVENTION.

The city of New Orleans, through all the Baptist churches there and the Chamber of Commerce, is extending to the Southern Baptist Convention an urgent invitation to meet in the Crescent City for the 1923 session.

New Orleans has as good Hotel facilities as can be found in the South. The Chamber of Commerce tenders to the Convention the Gypsy Smith Tabernacle with a seating capacity of 6,000 for the sessions of the Convention. This Tabernacle has a splendid auditorium with almost perfect acoustic qualities and with sufficient ante-rooms for committee meetings. It is located within two blocks of Lee Circle and of the new Bienville Hotel which has recently been opened. New Orleans is as accessible to all the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention as any city in our bounds. If the 1923 Convention accepts this invitation, we may expect an attendance second only to that of the Washington Convention of 1920.

E. Godbold, Secretary,  
Louisiana Baptist State Board.

## ORGANIZING THE MID-WEEK SERVICES.

by

Lee B. Spencer, Yazoo City, Miss.

Dear Brethren:

A new organization by our church known as the MID-WEEK BIBLE SCHOOL has yielded such satisfactory results that I wish to pass along the idea. I shall try to set forth the fundamental details, but lack of space forbids a thorough description of the organization.

## ORIGIN OF THE ORGANIZATION.

If you will pardon the personal and local reference necessary to such I shall tell you of our experience at Yazoo City.

After years of dissatisfaction with the small attendance and the lack of interest at the mid-week services, I decided that I would either succeed at or altogether abandon the "prayer meetings," which was only a "prayer" meeting in name. My heart longed for a great congregation and a worthy program. On Wednesday night of the 22nd. of February of this year, after the usual failure, I spent almost the entire night praying for God to reveal to me the secret of a successful mid-week service, and under His guidance I would put it into practice the week following. Late in the night the word "ORGANIZE" came to me—the idea lingered for hours and before I slept I had the new organization set up in minute details and I visualized the great MID-WEEK BIBLE SCHOOL, which I now have the joy to see as an actuality each Wednesday night.

## NEED OF SUCH ORGANIZATION

The multiplicity of auxiliaries gives rise to the question—Is there really need of the organization? It is axiomatic that if there is a great but undeveloped field which is not occupied by any of our present forces, then there is a challenge for either the readjustment of old forces or the creation of new forces to meet that need. Now, I submit that the average Wednesday night service (I care not whether it be in the large city church or the small rural church) stands in need of vast improvement as to the number in attendance and as to the strength of the program at the meeting.

Occasionally some ingenious pastor will work out a plan which will succeed for a while, but after a while the enthusiasm subsides and "the faithful few" only are left to keep the meeting on the calendar, while their hearts long for the enlistment of the absentees. The need of improvement in the attendance and in the strength of the program of the average Wednesday night service is generally admitted, and the need of such improvement is commanding.

## MEETING THE NEED

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## A SOLUTION SUGGESTED

The need can be met in only one way, namely, BY ORGANIZATION OF THE MID-WEEK SERVICE. Not organization for the sake of organization, but organization because success demands it. Organize to succeed where unorganized efforts

fail. Organize here for the same cause that has called for the correction of our forces to meet all the other great needs which we have successfully met. The organization in question is absolutely the outgrowth of need, and as you will note from the following, none of the time-honored traditions connected with the idea of the Prayer Meeting have been set aside, but rather have been magnified.

The four elements of the mid-week services are prayer, scripture lesson, comments and song. Where shall we go to find a more worthy program? The program is sufficient, but we can either play at or succeed at any or all of the four parts of the service. Now, the two fundamentals of the above four are prayer and scripture study. We magnify the prayer life by following a definite and scriptural course, such as,

(1) Definite and Intelligent Prayers at the Meetings.

(2) Daily Definite and Intelligent Prayers by Family Circles.

(3) Daily Definite and Intelligent Prayers by Individuals.

Before entering into community prayer at the meeting we agree upon some definite object and aim to get that object well on our hearts. We call for the names of the sick and distressed and other personal objects for special prayer and the members respond with the information. They also mention the great denominational causes represented by the Boards and we especially mention some missionary in some distant land. In other words, we aim to "agree as touching" our objects of prayer.

The prayers by Family Circles and by Individuals for the other days of the week are urged as a part of our undertaking and are provided for more specifically by "Our Daily Prayer Circle," but are reported each Wednesday night on an individual report card.

Second fundamental—Bible Study. Here we improve on the "hit or miss" plan by following a systematic outline, such as

(1) Systematic Bible Study at the Meeting.

(2) Daily Systematic Bible Study by Family Circles.

(3) Daily Systematic Bible Study by Individuals

Our outline for this summer's study is the life and teachings of Jesus according to Matthew's gospel. Each member makes use of a small copy of the gospel of Matthew at home and at the meetings. Daily study is a part of our standard and same is reported on each Wednesday night.

Such an outlying naturally calls for very close study and thorough preparation on the part of the pastor who is the teacher. Thus his "comments" are improved upon. As to the songs, we have a Song Director and a Pianist for this special phase of the work and the singing is improved along with the other parts of the services.

## THE MACHINERY

Our membership is divided according to the Sunday School classifications with the exception of the Adults, which are divided thus: Junior Adult (21-35) and Senior Adults (36-up.) At present we do not go below the Junior department (9-12). There are ten Monitors, two for each department. The Junior Girls have their Monitor, the Senior Adult Men theirs, and the other eight departments have theirs accordingly. The duty of the Monitor is to build up and keep up the attendance in his section.

The General Officers are:

General Spl., who is the pastor if possible.

Asst. Supt., who is over the Monitors. Attendance is his task.

Supt. of Extension or Home Department. Same as in Sunday School.

Secretary-Treasurer. Same as in Sunday School.

Song Director, Same as in Sunday School.

Organist, Same as in Sunday School.

Reporter, Publicity duties.

The Monitors distribute individual report cards as the people enter. The cards are filled out promptly and are gathered early in the services by the secretary, who enters the totals on the Black-board as in the Sunday School. The report is examined at the close of the services.



Let me add that the organization has increased our attendance four hundred per cent. to say nothing of the improvement of the very nature of the services. It seems to the writer that Baptists should have the greatest system of Bible Study to be found anywhere. We should have more of what I term, "Local Christian Education," and our system is leading in that direction.

Why have Bible Study organized only for Sunday? Satan's University is open seven days in the week. Our course contemplates a much more thorough-going program of Christian Culture than is here outlined. I am preparing a manual on the MID-WEEK BIBLE SCHOOL, and will have it and other literature on the subject ready for the press within a few weeks. I shall welcome expressions from the brethren. If I am headed in the right direction, let me have the inspiration of your expressed approval. The following is a copy of the Individual Report Card.

MID-WEEK BIBLE SCHOOL,  
First Baptist Church, Yazoo City, Miss.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (Date \_\_\_\_\_)  
Member or Visitor \_\_\_\_\_  
If Visitor, will you become member now \_\_\_\_\_  
Check your Department.

Junior 9-12 \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
Intermediate 13-16 \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
Senior \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
Jr. Adult \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
Sr. Adult \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
Number Verses read during week \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you a member of our "Daily Prayer Circle?" \_\_\_\_\_

#### ON THE MEDITERRANEAN. B. P. Robertson, D. D.

We have just left Naples and we are on our way to Athens, where we will land Wednesday morning. Our cruise from New York up to the present time has been a very pleasant one. We have already visited the Canary Islands, Lisbon in Portugal, Cadex and Seville in Spain; Gibraltar, Algiers in Africa; Genoa, Pisa, Rome and Naples in Italy. If we should judge Mohammedanism by what we saw in Algiers, we would say that it is a failure. If we should judge Roman Catholicism by what we saw in the Canary Islands and the Madeira Islands, Lisbon and the other Roman Catholic countries we have visited, we would say emphatically that it is a failure. We saw in these places that the fruits of this cult are ignorance, superstition, religious slavery and mendicancy. Some of our party purchased indulgences from the Pope while in Rome. The same old thing is going on now that was practiced during Luther's day. While I was in Rome, I visited the Colosseum, where I saw the arena in which the Christians had to contend with wild beasts as sport for the emperor who sat in his balcony. And I saw in the catacombs the burial places of a million Christians, and 100,000 martyrs. My spirit of resentment rose up within me and I thanked God that I belong to a denomination which stands four square for religious liberty and has never persecuted anybody for his religious faith or lack of faith.

I called on our own Dr. D. G. Whitinghill, while in Rome Saturday and found him happy in his work. I thanked God again that our Foreign Mission Board has been able to secure a good location for our work there. We will some day evangelize Italy, radiating from Rome. I am convinced that Italy needs the gospel just as much as China and Japan. It is important that we support our Board in its policy of planting a school and a hospital where it plants churches on the foreign field. But we Southern Baptists are only touching the fringe of the peoples of the earth to be evangelized. The need is so enormous to one who visits the fields that he is staggered at the view. It would be a blessed thing if the churches would send their pastors on a cruise like this to see the fields where the gospel is so much needed. I have tried to be missionary in spirit all my life, but I am sure I will be more intensely missionary

in the future. May the Lord give all our people in the South the spirit of self-denial and self sacrifice so that we may be able soon to give the pure gospel to the whole world.

#### A MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

The Board of Trustees at their last meeting on the 8th Inst., passed an order that in future no games would be played on the Simpson Co. Agr. High School Campus by seminude boys. There is a great protest from all over the States—especially from Simpson county against the suggestiveness of the athletic uniform. Ministers' meetings, Baptist Associations, Methodist Conferences, the conservative people generally have protested and the Board of Trustees have fallen in line and decided to take the initiative and place Simpson Co. Agr. High School in harmony with the conservative, Christian citizenship of the County and State. In future no games will be allowed on the Campus of Simpson Co. Agr. High School unless participants are modestly uniformed: Sleeves of jerseys or shirts must reach to the elbow, trousers must extend to the knee and hose must reach the trousers as in base ball uniforms. Let me ask the Schools of the County and the A. H. S. of the State to cooperate with us for a type of athletics that is honest in spirit, modest in uniform, commendable in emulation—clean-through-out athletics that the sensitive, cultured girl can look on without having her modesty shocked.

W. S. Huddleston, Supt.

#### "NOT FORMED UPON ANY SCRIPTURAL MODEL."

T. J. Moore.

From a historical standpoint there is a series of articles being published in the New Orleans Christian Advocate by an intelligent and devout Methodist layman. I quote below a statement which may astonish some persons who read it, and especially those who have the conviction that all churches claiming divine sanction should be formed upon the scriptural model, instead of being "based upon American civil analogies and political ideals."

Below is given the heading and two first paragraphs of the "thirteenth Paper":

#### "THE CONSTITUTION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOUTH.

By Hon. C. L. Bates.

Thirteenth Paper.

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"The government of the Southern Church was not formed upon any scriptural model; it is purely conventional, receiving its authority, form and force from the fiat of the whole Southern Methodist people who ordained and established it, basing it upon American civil analogies and political ideal, with which they were familiar.

"Being an American church, organized as a result of an ecclesiastical revolution, in which there were sharp constitutional conflicts, which had been brewing for thirty years in the old church, under the conflicting political theories of Hamilton and Jefferson, it could not, in the nature of things, have escaped from American principles and ideals, and, indeed, made no effort to do so, but consciously and expressly adopted many of them."

#### A SUGGESTION CONCERNING THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

O. L. Halley.

I have had charge of the Order of Business, in conjunction with many capable and helpful brethren, for ten years, counting the one this year. My experience in having to seek for the best opportunity to consider out many and varied and important interests, has brought me to believe that we could further the causes which we promote by some reconstruction.

The Convention has been functioning more than seventy-five years, and we have moved very far from the place where it started. Then there were

two small mission boards, and only a very few other matters come before the body for consideration. At present the various enterprises often call for more than fifty reports. We are working on a schedule which the denomination outgrew a long time ago.

#### Rewrite Our Fundamental Laws

"We have 'inkered with' our Constitution and By-Laws, many times. There is a committee out to report some phases of the matter at the approaching Convention. Why not raise a strong, competent, and representative committee to go through with our whole scheme of denominational work, and make such changes in constitution, by-laws and various organizations as will give us the best opportunity to do our work? This might call for some Reconstruction as to our boards, and plans of work, and the proper relating and coordinating of all our interests. I do not claim to have thought through all that may be involved, but I seriously believe we can and ought to do something to improve our Convention program. If brethren agree we could raise such committee at Jacksonville, and give a year to studying the question.

#### ECHOES FROM THE PAST

At the close of the sermon a layman led the prayer and in that prayer he said "Oh, Lord, our heavenly Father, with shame-facedness we plead guilty to the neglect of reading thy word. And when we read it we just did not think; but in the light of thy message today, oh, help us our Father, to reroute ourselves!" Don't you think that is just exactly what many of us need "rerouting?"

In good hope behind the Blood.

R. A. Cooper.

#### "How-To Grow in Grace"

Add to your FAITH virtue and etc;

We do not Add faith; we are born (spiritually) with FAITH. Faith places us on the foundation (Christ), then we may build on that foundation, and the way to build is to add—add one thing to another, and the Scripture tells us what material to build or to add with, and gives it to us in order.

When a carpenter begins to build on a foundation that has been laid, he knows what kind of material to add first.

The Holy Spirit gives the new born babe in Christ a list of material to build with. Now what is the first material, and the next and etc? VIRTUE, KNOWLEDGE, TEMPERANCE, PATIENCE, GODLINESS, BROTHERLY KINDNESS and CHARITY. The way to add or build with these things in our lives is to "Submit Ourselves to God" (James 4-7) and "Humble Ourselves in the Sight of God" (James 4-10); then we are ready to be led by the Holy Spirit. The Apostle Paul admonishes "If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit." (Gal. 5-25).

One of the greatest works of the Holy Spirit is to guide us in all truths. If we are led by the Spirit, the result in our lives will be Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, Gentleness, Faith (serving FAITH), Meekness and Temperance. The Holy Spirit is in us, and wants to lead us. He will talk to us at any time and tell us what to do, and what is the Will of God. Do we want to hear Him? Then open the lids of the Bible and read, remembering that the Holy Spirit is the Dictator of the Bible, every word of it. "All Scriptures is given by inspiration of God." When you get a letter from a loved one, you are eager to get it open and read. Why? Because the information gotten from the letter is the expression and desire of the heart of that loved one made known to you. We have many letters from the Holy Spirit in the Bible, but He is not speaking so much of himself, but is taking the things of Christ, who is all and all, and is showing them to us.

The writers of the Bible were not only moved by the Holy Spirit to write the things they wrote, but the things written are especially for our benefit, and are profitable to us for doctrine, for re-

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## EDITORIAL

### EVIL HEART OF UNBELIEF

There is often a disposition to sympathize with a person who is afflicted with doubts as if he were simply an unfortunate. There is even at times a tendency to coddle a young man who is said to have a skeptical turn of mind, and it sometimes goes to the length of speaking in tones of near approval of his "honest doubts." To be sure any poor sinner needs our tenderest efforts to help him and we are under obligation to him for Christ's sake to do what we can to bring him into the light and liberty of the children of God. But our attitude should certainly never be such as to allow him or anyone to think that God condones his sin or thinks lightly of it in any way. Sin is the thing that God hates.

Now, unbelief, according to the Scriptures is never simply a misfortune and certainly is never to be cursed as if it were in any way akin to a virtue. It is sin, and is the manifestation of a wholly corrupt and depraved nature. We will never get anywhere in dealing with it until we recognize that it is a grievous sin in the sight of God, and that it comes only out of a heart wholly alienated from Him. Faith is the natural and inevitable expression of innocence. Unbelief is the product of contact and acquaintance with sin. If there were no sin in the world and in the heart, there would never be any questioning about truth, nor any doubt of goodness. "Love believeth all things." "Perfect love casteth out fear." A little child is trustful. It is only as it knows evil that it becomes distrustful.

A man afflicted with doubts ought to look into his heart and life to see what sin is producing there. Shadows cross his mind when sin has grown up along his pathway. One needs then to pray that the Lord will search his heart to see if there is any evil way in him. And he won't have to look long till he finds it. Jesus said of the Holy Spirit, "He shall convict the world of sin because they believe not on me." The infallible evidence of sin in the life is doubt in the mind. Unbelief registers the presence of sin as surely as the thermometer shows the present of fever.

The writer of the epistle to the Hebrews divides his time between arguments and exhortation. He not only proves the superiority of the claims of Jesus to those of Moses, but he insists that they must clear up their doubts by clearing up their lives. They are in trouble because of an evil heart of unbelief against which he cautions them (3:12). They are in danger of being hardened by the deceitfulness of sin (vs. 13). The following verses remind them of the sin and disobedience of their fathers in the wilderness. This is the reason that the gospel is not aimed primarily at a man's head but at his heart. His head will get right if you

can get his feet in the path of righteousness. A revolutionary officer won success and fame by commanding his men, who had been shooting at the enemies' heads, to "shin 'em." We'll do more good to look carefully how we walk than to store our minds with all the books on the Evidence of Christianity. A godly life in the home will save a soul from shipwreck more surely than the arguments of ecclesiastical polemics.

### THE WILL TO BELIEVE.

We have heard much in recent months about the will to victory, or the will to power and so on down the line. There can be no question that the most important element in any effort or program is the will of the individual or group back of the endeavor. After all is not what people call morale only the producing of the strong will to do the thing. And again is it not singular that when people know that the personal will to do a thing is the principle factor in getting it done, that anybody should look on all that is being done today and that has been done in the past and say that these things are the result of blind inherent forces, whose urge is the mere quality of original matter? But that aside.

With intelligent and rational creatures it is a matter of common knowledge that the will is the thing that gets something done. The will is the man in action. Now faith is an act of will just like every other responsible act is. This does not mean that we are able to believe a thing true which we know is not true. Or that we would be justified in so doing if we were able. But it does mean that when all available evidence is in, where we have made this investigation of the subject in hand to the extent of our ability, when the intelligence has looked on all sides of the question and has weighed the evidence, the man must make up his mind what he is going to do about it. Not to decide at all is to destroy both will and intelligence. It is to be like the people to whom Elijah said, "How long limp ye between two opinions. Let's settle this matter for good and all."

Of course our interest in the will to believe is a religious interest. It is a matter that confronts every one at the beginning of his Christian experience, the moment when he becomes a Christian. But there will come again and again occasions in his experience as a Christian when he will be assailed with doubt or fear or perplexity. At such a time Satan makes an assault on his faith and seeks to shake him loose from his firm confidence in the Book which has been his stay and strength and guide. We will need to summon the facts of His past dealings with us and say with David "O my God, my soul is cast down within me; therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar." Again we will say with him, "What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee." We not only summon all the evidence on which faith rests, but we summon ourselves to rest on those evidences.

Paul said he was a teacher of faith and truth. It is not enough to be a teacher of truth; we must also be teachers of faith; we must persuade men. Persuasion has two elements. One is the evidence presented in facts. The other is the effort to produce in men the will to believe. In this religion is not different from any other business. A man who is selling real estate or promoting a mere enterprise uses the same method. He has the facts in hand and he skillfully sits them forth to bring a favorable response. But the response is the act of the man with whom he deals. He must decide. He must accept. He must will to believe. In this case faith comes into being and in this way it grows. There must be always the will to believe.

### CHRIST CRUCIFIED AFRESH.

Did you ever spend a long time and great labor in putting through a great undertaking on which you had set your whole mind and heart, to find just about the time you thought you had it done, that by some slip or mistake the whole thing was done wrong or had failed and must all be done

over with great pains, or else must be abandoned entirely? It might have been a piece of knitting; or it might have been a piece of carpenter's work. But just when you had the satisfaction of thinking it was nearly finished, you found that it had all to be undone and then done over. That is one of the hardest things anybody ever has to do.

But if you have had that experience, maybe you can sympathize with the Lord Jesus in some of his work. Maybe it happened in his dealing with you and me. Something like that is what is meant by the saying in Hebrews (6:6), "Seeing they crucify to themselves (in their case, so far as they are concerned) the Son of God afresh (over again), and put him to open shame."

The sufferings of Jesus were not primarily physical. The bodily sufferings of Jesus on the cross were not the worst of his sufferings. He bore our sins in his own body on the tree. This means not simply that his physical sufferings constituted the penalty and atonement for our sins. The sins themselves were laid on him, not merely the physical punishment for them. "He made his soul an offering for sin." "He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied." He said, "Now is my soul troubled." This was before the crucifixion. Again he said, "My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death." The nearest any human soul can come to understand the suffering of Jesus as he approached the cross and underwent the crucifixion, would be for a father or mother to identify themselves with a son or daughter who had fallen into sin and disgrace, and to take their place by the side of such a one even to the enduring of all the agony and shame which would thus be brought on their souls. It was Jesus' love for the sinner which caused his sorrow. This love and sorrow went to the limit of the cross which stood not simply the jeers of men but the wrath of God. Jesus endured this for the purpose of redeeming man from sin, to save him from sin itself and all its consequences. He was content to do this for the results which it would bring. He shall see the travail of his soul and shall be satisfied. It is worth the price to him. It is even said that "for the joy which was set before him he endured the cross despising the shame."

But suppose when he has gone through all this, there are some who profess acceptance of his death for them, announce their faith in him as Lord and Savior, who make at least an appearance of beginning the Christian life, and then, after seeming to start on the way of obedience they turn back to sin and unbelief. They bring back to him all the suffering which he took upon himself and add to it the disappointment of failure so far as they are concerned. In their case, Jesus is crucified afresh, over again and is put to open shame. This suffering is if possible worse than the first, for there is the humiliation of disappointment and failure.

Do you think about this when you turn again to sin? Do you think about the heartache and sufferings it causes him who died once to save us? Our sins brought upon him all the suffering of soul he endured as he went to the cross. The wrongs we have done are responsible for the cross and the overwhelming wrath of God. If our sins have done this when we were ignorant and unbelieving we will not wish, now that we love him, to add to his suffering or bring fresh pain to the heart of him who loved us so much that he went to the cross in our behalf. As much as our sins may add to his suffering so much may our obedience and righteousness add to his joy. If Paul could say, "My little children of whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you," surely Jesus may be made to suffer anew by the disappointment which he may experience in us by any lapse of ours into sin or unbelief.

### IS IT NOTHING TO YOU?

In the Lamentations of Jeremiah the prophet gives a picture of the desolation of Jerusalem, her streets deserted, the temple courts abandoned, the sacred places profaned, the high ways which led to the city, once throbbing with multitudes attending the national festivals, now deserted and unkept.



## Convention Board Department

R. B. GUNTER  
Cor. Secretary

## REPORTING MEETINGS.

In order that we may save time and expenses and at the same time obtain accurate results so that our people may know of the progress being made in our denominational work, we are asking for your co-operation. Will you kindly, as soon as your meeting closes, report to this office after the form given below: Church, Association, Additions by Baptism, Additions by Letter, Restorations, Volunteers, Baptist Record Subscription.

If you will do this, it will save us from mailing you cards for you to report on. It will save the listing of all the churches and preachers who are to assist, etc., and we will have the facts tabulated in the office for our State Convention minutes. This will save quite a bit of time and expense.

## EVANGELISTIC SCHOOL

The School of Evangelism begins Monday, May 29th, 7 P. M., at Clinton, Mississippi. The speaker for that evening is Dr. Arch C. Cree of Atlanta, Georgia, Corresponding Secretary of Georgia Baptist State Convention Board. It will be worth a trip to Clinton to the pastors of the state to hear Dr. Cree.

The program for the School will be given in full just as soon as it has been completed. We are at this time able to announce as one of the speakers, Dr. A. T. Robertson, who has been teaching New Testament in our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for more than thirty-five years. We have more than a dozen men of our own state on the program.

Attendance upon this School will cost you nothing but your railroad fare. The State Board and Mississippi College will furnish sleeping accommodations and meals while you are in attendance. You may bring soap, towels, sheets, and pillow cases. Doubtless many of the churches will pay

On a recent visit to the Baptist Bible Institute we were delighted with the character of the singing at the morning chapel service. Not only the whole student body sang, but they sang full-voiced and with joyful confidence. It was a great volume of reverent praise. But what was better still, the leader, Prof. Sellers, knows a good song, a really great hymn. The pathetic thing about much of our singing and our evangelistic singers is that the songs are empty babble with no poetry and no deep, serious music. It is not becoming to worship God or praise him with a song that sounds like a rickety wagon going in a gallop down a country road. There are many great hymns. Let us learn to use them.

The failure or refusal of some preachers to use the American Revised Version in their Bible reading, study and preaching is nothing less than tragic. The blunders of interpretation, which are all too common, could in many cases be avoided by an open minded reading of the American Version. It is not only pitiable to see frequent misinterpretations which make the preacher utterly ridiculous, but it is a sin to mislead the people by an interpretation which could be easily corrected. We say these things at the risk of offending good brethren because it hurts us to see the innocent people suffer. Of course no translation is faultless, but we are under obligation to God and the people to do all we can to know and teach the truth.

Methodists are being criticized for establishing Methodist churches in Czecho-Slovakia instead of merely supporting the Protestant churches already there. From our point of view the criticism is foolish. If Methodists believe that their churches

the railroad fare. In these schools you will obtain more instruction for the length of time and for less cost than can be obtained anywhere else.

The subjects which are to be discussed will be interesting and forceful in revival meetings. Come and make your preparation for your summer evangelistic work. The out-of-state speakers have not announced their subjects, but our own pastors will discuss the following subject:

"Man in his natural state"; "Righteousness"; "Stewardship"; "Tithing"; "Sin"; "The New Birth"; "Repentance"; "Faith"; "Christ's Compassion for the Lost"; "The Sacrifice of Christ"; "Salvation: present, past, future"; "The Holy Spirit".

In addition to this we will have an inspirational Sunset Service each day. The program is full. Watch the papers for the program and announcements and begin right now to get ready. You will do well to drop us a card in order that your name may be enrolled. We want at least three hundred preachers to be present.

## SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTIONAL YEAR

I want to appeal to the pastors and laity to begin now for a great year's work. Begin by paying your pledges weekly and monthly. In this way you will be much more likely to pay up in full. In this way you will enable the work to continue. In this way you will form a habit that will be helpful to you in your own life. In this way you will be following the Bible plan for financing the Kingdom. We appeal to you to do your best during the coming year. If you do, the Campaign assures success.

Our State work is moving along gloriously. Every phase of it is making rapid progress. The spirit of harmony continues to prevail and we feel hopeful for the future.

R. B. Gunter, Cor. Sec'y.

embody a truth and render a service which other churches do not, they owe it to the world to plant Methodist churches everywhere. But it is hardly in accord with the oft repeated profession of comity made by Methodists. As for Baptists they believe that if a Baptist church is needed anywhere, it is needed everywhere.

For myself, I feel that I should know very little about God if Jesus Christ had not come into the world and revealed God to us, as he said he did, and as I believe he did. And I should have very little confidence in immortality from all the arguments from analogy or human longings, if I did not believe that Jesus rose from the dead, as he said he would rise, and as we are told he did. I feel as Paul did, "If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain." "But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept."

Believing this as I do, I recognize in Jesus not a mere man, however remarkable, but a messenger from God who had power to lay down his life and power to take it up again, a being fitted in all respects, by character and power to be the light of the world and to reveal God to us as he really is. This, that and the other, may disappear or change or perish, but Jesus Christ remains the same yesterday, today and forever, Son of Man and Son of God, the Divine Savior of the World.

CYRUS NORTHPROP.

Dr. J. W. Gillon called at this office on his way to his home in Mayfield, Ky. from a good meeting with Immanuel Church at Alexandria, where there were 77 additions to the church. He assisted them last year when there were sixty six additions.

He sees the enemy in possession of what remains and the careless wayfarer passing by with no concern for the destruction which has been wrought. His heart breaks with the burden of his grief as he pours out his soul at the vision of destruction: Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? Even worse than the havoc that has been wrought in his beloved city is the utter indifference wrought in his beloved city is the utter indifference greatness.

One of the gretest sources of disappointment and amazement to those who have gone among the churches in the past weeks trying to summon the sympathy and energies of God's people to the succor of a ruined and sinning world is the unresponsiveness of those who are members of the churches and attendants upon the services in God's house. These men who have tried to rouse the churches to action have made every effort to be hopeful and to inspire others to hope. But in many instances their story has fallen upon dull ears. They have told of the orphan's cry and the sigh of the old preacher burdened with years and worn out with labor in the Lord's cause. They have told of the healing ministry to the multitudes of suffering in our own land and in other lands. They have urged the need of Christian education for our boys and girls to meet the needs of an exacting age. They have told of starvation in Europe and Asia. They have pictured a world lying in sin and helpless and hopeless but for the knowledge of redemption through Jesus Christ.

And what is the result? The vast multitude of Baptists in the South who boast of their millions in numbers have sat in unresponsive silence to the call of suffering and of need, the call of God. This is not to upbraid any body, certainly not those who have done what they could under unprecedented difficulties. Too many of us are like the priest and the Levite who were concerned only for their own safety and comfort and so passed by on the other side.

What can the future hold for us? In the ninth chapter of Isaiah the prophet begins by telling of the coming and progress of the kingdom of God. But as he proceeds he begins to tell of the overthrow of the wicked, and the repetition of the judgments of God. Like a resounding knell of each description of judgment, he repeats: "For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still." The only way to avert the displeasure of God is repentance and wholehearted obedience to his divine commands: Repentance and remission of sins must be preached in his name among all nations.

A Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson was ordained as an evangelist by a Baptist Church in California after a council had declined to recommend her ordination, the vote standing half and half for and against. A participant in the Examination says the whole matter was railroaded through in haste. He says:

"The examination showed that the candidate had the most meagre acquaintance with the historic faith of the Baptists. She had been a licensed exhorter of the Methodist church and gave no evidence of any doctrinal change of views to warrant her affiliation with the Baptist denomination. Mrs. McPherson says that the Los Angeles tabernacle represents an undenominational movement.

The Editor was privileged to be with Pastor Stringer Sunday morning at Bogue Chitto, where a growing congregation and Sunday School is responding to his ministry. They are working heroically to meet their obligation in the campaign. At night we were with Pastor J. H. Lane at Central Church, McComb. Just now the people are gathered in sympathy about the bereaved pastor whose wife has been called to her heavenly home. They have bought a beautiful lot, well located and some of the material is already on the ground for their church building. Pastor Lane looks after every interest of the kingdom and all the sheep in his flock.





## BOOKS IN THE CIRCULATING LIBRARY

We give below a classified list of the books in the circulating library. This is a fine collection of books, and it will cost you nothing to read except the postage. Write to N. T. Tull, Baptist Headquarters, Jackson, for application card. Send six cents when ordering a book.

<b>BIBLE STUDIES</b>	
All the World in All the Word	Carver
Paul the Interpreter of Christ	Robertson
Stewardship and Missions	Cook
Studies in the New Testament	Robertson
Glorious of the Ministry	Robertson
Episodes in the Life of Jesus	Robertson
Training of the Twelve	Bruce
<b>BIOGRAPHICAL</b>	
William E. Hatcher	Hatcher
Hudson Taylor in Early Years	Taylor
Life and Letters of John A. Broadus	Robertson
A Great Heart of the South	Poteat
<b>DEVOTIONAL</b>	
Quiet Talks on John's Gospel	Gordon
With Christ in the school of Prayer	Murray
Discipleship	Morgan
<b>DOCTRINAL</b>	
The Moral Dignity of Baptism	Frost
The Memorial Supper	Frost
The Doctrines of our Faith	Dargan
Visions and Voices, of Who Wrote the Bible, Blanchard.	
<b>EVANGELISTIC</b>	
We Could See Jesus	Truett

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proof for correction and for instruction in righteousness. I do not say that we may always be led by the Holy Spirit, neither do I say it is easy to follow Him, because we are hindered by self, that is **THE FLESH**. We are not of the flesh, but of the spirit, but nevertheless we are dwelling with the flesh and the flesh lusteth after the things of the flesh, and the spirit after things of the spirit, and the two (the inward and the outward man) are contrary one to the other. When the mind is occupied by the Spirit, it is easy to follow the Holy Spirit, but when the mind is occupied by the flesh we are liable to be drawn away of our own lust, and when we are thus drawn away we are not following Him, but are grieving Him. If we want to grow, we must feast upon the spiritual food, of which the Bible is so full, and pray.

One of the most important things we are taught is: Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all temporal blessings will be added unto you.

What is the Kingdom of God? Righteousness, Peace and Joy in the Holy Ghost. What does that teach us? To take our minds off the carnal things and let it dwell or meditate upon the spiritual things. Do not worry about affairs of this life. Do not allow the mind to be always employed in worldly affairs; don't be so careful about laying up money here on earth, because we cannot take any of that which we lay up here with us after death, but **LAY UP TREASURES IN HEAVEN**. However, Every dollar that is given to the Lord is credited to our accounts in Heaven. It will not be silver and gold up there, but **SPIRITUAL EXCHANGE, REWARDS**.

THE PROPOSED HOSPITAL AT NEW ORLEANS  
L. T. Hastings.

From the days of John the Baptist to James the Baptist (James Bruton Gambrell), Baptists have been pioneers in every Christian enterprise author-

With Christ After the Lost	Scarborough
Talks on Soul Winning	Mullins
Pastoral and Personal Evangelism	Goodell
Evangelism, its Justification, Operation, Value...	Biederwolf.

<b>HISTORICAL</b>	
A Short History of the Baptists	Vedder
The Course of Christian History	McGlothlin
The People Called Baptists	McDaniel

<b>MISSIONARY</b>	
Holding the Ropes	Brain
Livingston the Pathfinder	Matthews
Love Letters of Great Missionaries	Brain
A Wandering Jew in Brazil	Ginsburg
And of Ava	Hubbard
Laborers Together	Lackey
The Call of the South	Masters
Baptist Missions in the South	Masters
Making America Christian	Masters
The Bible a Missionary Message	Carver

<b>ORGANIZATION AND METHODS</b>	
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ized by Christ except one, namely hospital work. In every phase of missions they have led, and in Christian education they have blazed the way and others have followed, but not so in the ministry of healing. This exception is strange in the light of the fact that Christ's ministry was a three-fold one, healing, preaching and teaching, while the fundamental tenet of Baptists has always been loyalty to the example and teachings of Christ and His apostles.

Only within recent years have Southern Baptists begun to realize the need and value of hospital work. In 1900 they owned two hospitals. In 1920 they owned and operated 20 with a capacity of 2141 beds. This shows how quickly Baptists rally to a great need when once their conscience is aroused in the matter. But there remains much yet to be done in this important field of ministry to a lost and suffering world.

The same denominational foresight and Christian statesmanship that led to the location of the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, the great and growing metropolis of the South, is now calling for the erection and maintenance of a south-wide hospital in that city. This sentiment has been given prominent and enthusiastic recognition in the last two meetings of the Southern Baptist Convention. I quote from the Hospital Committee's report to the Chattanooga Convention: "At a meeting of this convention a year ago the matter of building a hospital in New Orleans was referred to the Home Mission Board, with the request that this Board take under consideration the proposed enterprise and, if found feasible, proceed with the construction of the institution. A very desirable site consisting of two entire city blocks has been decided upon for its location, provided title to the property can be conveyed in a manner satisfactory to the Home Mission Board. The Association of Commerce of New Orleans proposes to present this site to the Board and the matter is now pending between the Home Mission Board and the Association of Commerce. It is the earnest hope of your committee that this seriously important matter and wonderful opportunity

shall continue to be handled with all possible wisdom and dispatch to the end that Southern Baptists shall, in the not distant future, erect in the Crescent City a hospital of such proportions that it shall be at once a stronghold for our cause, a channel of service and blessing, and an adequate expression of our Baptist faith and purpose."

The hopes of the committee as above expressed have been realized to the extent that the Association of Commerce raised \$85,000 by private subscriptions, purchased the site selected by the Home Mission Board, obtained permit from the city council to erect a hospital on that site, and has formally tendered the site to the Home Mission Board. The purchase price of the site, located on one of the most beautiful of New Orleans' famous avenues, was contributed by 759 citizens of New Orleans—men and women, including Catholics, Jews, Protestants and people of no church affiliation. The 5,000 members of the Association of Commerce want the hospital; the Mayor and his Council are unanimous for it; 99% of the 375,000 citizens of New Orleans will welcome it; the New Orleans Medical Society sent the Home Mission Board a formal resolution showing the need of the hospital and their friendly attitude toward it. The fact that this most cosmopolitan city welcomes this enterprise constitutes a powerful appeal when we remember that the Baptist population of this great city is very small.

Before the coming of the Baptist Bible Institute to this city, Baptist stock was rated very low in the market of public and private opinion. It is said that the Mayor said, in connection with the granting of the permit to build the hospital, "The Baptists have my permission to build any institution anywhere they please in New Orleans if such institution will be anything like the blessing to this city that the Bible Institute has been," or words to that effect. It hasn't been very long since Baptists themselves looked upon New Orleans as a Sahara desert that would never yield a harvest, but the unprecedented success of the Bible Institute in its four years has proven to the most skeptical that New Orleans is a field that yields at least thirty-fold if not a hundred-fold when Southern Baptists realize the wonderful opportunity before them and match that opportunity with worthy program.

Here is an opportunity for Southern Baptists, through the great Home Mission Board, to erect a memorial to their faith and humanitarian service that will speak to the ends of the earth, for the ends of the earth meet here. Like the spokes of a wheel converging to the hub, so the lines of trade on land and sea focus here in this the second port in the United States. The strategic location of New Orleans with reference to Central and South America, the far east and the islands of the seas makes it imperative that Southern Baptists lose no time and spare no means to make this city the center of Baptist world activity and influence or else forever stand condemned for their lack of Christian foresight. Commercial interests see what New Orleans is destined to be commercially and they are acting accordingly. The expenditure of \$20,000,000 on a canal connecting the river with the lake proves that assertion. Shall the children of this world in their generation still be wiser than the children of light? May it not be so.

The testimony of an important business man of New Orleans, not a Baptist, is that Southern Baptists are the only ones who can meet the needs of the situation. I quote his exact words over his own signature: "Only such an organization as the Southern Baptist Convention can hope to take full advantage of this opportunity. Private enterprise cannot do it in an adequate way. No other church organization in the south has the strength and the will to do it. Therefore I feel that this opportunity rightfully belongs to your organization."

If Southern Baptist will instruct and then with their gifts enable the Home Mission Board to build this hospital and make it possible for the local churches to build respectable and adequate church houses, New Orleans will be a Baptist city in less

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# MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE

We are receiving reservation fees now for next session. Send in your check for \$12.50 as reservation fee now while you may have some choice in the matter of location of room. Many prospective students waited too long last session. Write also for beautiful new catalog with application blank.

## J. L. Johnson, President

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than three decades. From that point of vantage we can reach Central and South America with the Baptist message, for New Orleans will be a concrete example of what the free gospel can do when it is given a real chance. I rise to make a motion that we proceed at once to the doing of it. All in favor of the motion say "Ay!" The "ays" have it and it is so ordered. Amen! Praise the Lord.

How to open the windows of heaven; to be sure there's no patent lock on them. Anybody can do it that really wants to. Just bring all the tithes into the Lord's house. Opening windows is a mighty good business anyhow. Do you know, it lets in a whole lot of fresh air when the atmosphere has gotten stagnant and needs it. Then it lets in the sunshine, which brings health and vigor to tired nerves. And then it lets you see out on the big world, and a good deal into the other world. Then, don't you know—God's chief blessings come in at the windows. God himself will throw open the windows of heaven and let the blessings come through. He will push them open if you say so.

We must be traveling faster these days than ever before. For example of the nineteen amendments to the constitution of the United States, four of them have been adopted in the last ten years.

Brother C. T. Davis who was pastor a few years ago of churches in Mississippi, and is an alumnus of Mississippi College, will finish his work for the Master's degree at the Fort Worth Seminary in May and is open for a pastorate or meetings.

"As sure as shooting," still seems to be a meaningful phrase, judging from its use in The Baptist Worker published in Oklahoma.

War is a fearful scourge resulting in the death of many good men and in stopping the whole of the world's business. But war is at times a necessity in order to save what is good in the world from threatened destruction and opening the way of progress by removing certain false ideas and hurtful institutions. So controversy is from many points of view undesirable and will leave some victims in its path. But there is no need to cry out against controversy. There is no other way of getting some things settled and settled right. Matters of teaching in religion and science must be fought out or the world will never know the truth. There is no wisdom in trying to put the damper on. But there is every reason why we should keep discussion from degenerating into a matter of upholding or destroying certain men. It is our business to exalt truth and destroy error, and not men.

Some brethren are crying out for liberty in the interpretation of the Bible, and against agitation that tends to divide the brotherhood. With all the emphasis of which our souls are capable we join all those who believe in and teach and practice freedom. But with equal emphasis we wish to insist that it be freedom in interpreting the Bible and that when this freedom leads men to deny the authority of the Bible, then it becomes impossible for us to fraternize or cooperate with him. Much of this talk about freedom is simply a smoke screen behind which the Bible itself is being sacrificed to false gods.

Mr. Hoover has suggested the saving of coal and man power by burning the coal at the mines mouth and thus producing electric power to be distributed over wide areas.

Pastor Walker of Aberdeen began a meeting Sunday having brother Franks of Columbus to assist him.

The period is rife with discussion and the foundations of faith are being re-examined. Back of it all is the question of authority. This fact led us recently to read again Dr. Mullin's book, Freedom and Authority in Religion. We wish he might get out a revised edition of this book which goes to the bottom of things and lays anew the foundation for faith. It ought to be revised so as to make it intelligible and readable for the common man. This too, would allow it to be abbreviated and stated in popular language.

From the little news that comes out of China they are apparently in a serious situation so far as the government is concerned. For a long time the Southern part of the country has been in rebellion. Now Peking seems to be included. Foreign countries are protecting their nationals and keeping the railroad open to the coast.

Mr. J. S. Barnes, President of the Business Men's Bible Class of Second Church, Jackson speaks with joy of the wonderful progress and enthusiasm manifested in the class. The whole class is grateful for the instruction and enthusiasm of Dr. H. M. King, the teacher. He invites others to share the blessing with them.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills. That is what some in the submerged area in Louisiana are doubtless saying now as they look across the Mississippi River and see Natchez on the bluff. May they and all of us lift them higher still and say, "My help cometh from Jehovah who made heaven and earth."

The feast of rededication of Shreveport First Church ended in a big baptizing.

Girl graduates from high schools in the United States outnumbered the boy graduates about three to two.



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 District—Mrs. J. A. Taylor, Brookhaven.

## DATA CONCERNING W. M. U. REGISTRATION AT JACKSONVILLE, FLA., MAY 17-22.

Registration at Jacksonville, Florida for delegates and visitors to the W. M. U. Annual Meeting will open at 8:30 on Wednesday morning, May 17, in the private dining room to the right of the elevator on the mezzanine floor of the Seminole Hotel on Hogan and Forsyth Streets. On Wednesday afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock, there will be additional registration tables at the Armory on Market and State Streets. The registration place at the Armory is the Club Room, which is number 1 to right of entrance on first floor. There will be no registration at the Seminole Hotel after Wednesday.

When the annual meeting opens in the Armory at 2 o'clock on that Wednesday night, registration will be suspended until the close of that session, at which time it will be resumed for the benefit of late arrivals. The next morning, Thursday, it will again be opened so that as many as possible may register before the morning session convenes. During the morning session it will be again suspended, to be resumed at the noon hour. As each delegate registers she is given her badge and program. It is earnestly hoped that every W. M. U. delegate and visitor will register as soon as possible after arrival in Jacksonville. Any unregistered delegates who reach the Armory during one of the sessions will be seated in the special section reserved for unregistered delegates. Upon adjournment of that session they will be expected to register.

Each state is entitled to only thirty-nine delegates not including the state W. M. U. vice president. The thirty-nine cards for each state have been sent to the state W. M. U. vice-president who will distribute them according to the policy of the given state. The vice presidents or their accredited substitutes will be at the registration tables in Jacksonville so that any delegate who has not received her card may be promptly identified.

The number of visitors is limited only by the very large auditorium of the Armory, where all the W. M. U. sessions will be held. No cards are sent to the states for the visitors, such cards being secured at the registration tables in Jacksonville. Visitors arriving after a session has opened will be seated by the ushers in the regular visitors' section. Upon adjournment they will be expected to register, at which time they will receive their badge and program.

From the state leaders the state badges are to be secured by both delegates and visitors. All who go to Jacksonville are urged to wear their state badges as the official badges to be secured upon

registration in Jacksonville do not bear the name of any state.

Kathleen Mallory  
 W. M. U. Cor. Secy.

## INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT FLORIDA AND JACKSONVILLE

Dear Baptist Women of the South, do you know that Jacksonville your Convention City for 1922, has already donned her full spring regalia to welcome you, and, that so decked, she is fair to see?

Before telling you a few things about this fair dame, I would like to mention the fact that you who attend the convention will be present at the twenty first birthday of the city proper.

Twenty-one years ago in May, a terrible fire laid our fair city low and reduced her to ashes. Phoenix like she has arisen from those ashes, and has become a fairer more up-to-date city than she was before.

During these twenty-one years, she has more than doubled her population, numbering now nearly a hundred thousand.

She is one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the Union, numbering amongst the population people from nearly every state in the Union. So, tho you are far from home, be you Marylander, Virginian, Texan, Georgian or any other State, some time during the Convention, you'll be more than likely to meet someone who will exclaim in a delighted voice, "Oh, are you from Maryland, Virginia or Georgia, as the case may be? Why so am I. Let me shake your hand again for the sake of the old home state." And then such smiles and handshakings and a warm little glow around the heart. Isn't it so?

As prospective visitors to our State and city, I know you'd like to be made acquainted with some items of interest.

The first name bestowed upon our City was the exceedingly unromantic one of Cows Ford.

After Jackson's term of office as military governor of Florida, Cows Ford was changed or rather dropped and Jacksonville came into being in honor of our governor.

She is splendidly equipped for a Convention. A big tabernacle capable of seating ten thousand people for the men's meetings, and a most commodious Armory for our women. Listen while I attempt to describe it in verse:

I can see our women gather,

With a gasp of pleased surprise,

When their splendid place of meeting

Shall greet their wondering eyes

No crowding and no jostling,

No conjecturing, "Where'll I sit,"

For there's space to place the largest

In a comfortable fit,

There's a rest room, oh, so restful

To the tired, rest-seeking one

Committee rooms—well, really,

They're—ad infinitum

And then there's the location

Of this wondrous meeting place

For it's right next door the men's domain

Where all will find a space.

I might tell of the glories

Of the great and lofty dome,

And of the spacious galleries

Which around three sides do roam,

But, I'll drop this doggerel story

Of our meeting place and tell

You more about our city

Where for a space we hope you'll dwell.

Jacksonville has fifty two hotels, boarding houses by the score, and homes and homes and homes galore to house you, also a hundred restaurants to cater to the inner man.

Should you happen to need additions to your wardrobe, our splendid department stores one of which covers a block and is second to none in the South, will efficiently supply that need.

Our street cars run to all parts of the city, the Riverside line taking you miles and miles thru the most beautiful residential section of the city, then across the river to beautiful Ortega, the home of our Country Club.

There are some lovely short trips near the city, so that those whose time is limited may see something of the surrounding country in a few hours.

A short ride by auto or by boat will land you in Mandarin with her orange groves and stately moss covered oaks.

Green Cove Springs, situated on the banks of the St. John where the river is four miles wide, is thirty miles south of Jacksonville and is accessible by train, steamer, auto or bus.

And then our splendid Atlantic Beach, only twenty miles away, is easily reached by auto and by train.

A river trip on our beautiful St. John is well worth taking for the St. John is a river of rivers, sometimes wide at some points, fascinatingly narrow at others. It is a river of majestic sweep and beautiful scenery. It has creeks near the city as tributaries of such width and beauty as to cause your eyes to widen and the exclamation to break from your lips, "This surely isn't a creek, it is a beautiful river," and we'll gravely make answer, "It is truly a creek in Florida, the wonderful, it would be a river elsewhere." Ah, could I but show you this river by moonlight! Be you sixteen or seventy, you'd feel strange stirrings in your soul; sixteen, the stirrings of something new and strange seventy—some long forgotten but pleasurable emotion, quickening the heart beat and causing the blood to race thru the veins.

Last, but not least of the short trips, comes St. Augustine the United States oldest child, just thirty eight miles away, with her quaint narrow street, her Spanish Cathedral, her Ponce de Leon's Fountain of Immortal Youth and her old Ford with its gruesome dungeons. She can also be reached by auto and train.

These are some of the sights to be seen with just a few hours to spare; with a few days at one's disposal, these are the wonders of South Florida. The two chief points of interest are Miami and Palm Beach.

Miami is a city of many millionaire homes and estates and is well worth seeing.

Palm Beach is a dream spot, a fairy land of wonderful palms, of avenue of Australian pines, of beautiful homes with spacious grounds of lovely walks and drives, of immense hotels and ocean breezes. Words fail—one must see Palm Beach to appreciate her beauties.

There are other places of great beauty and attractiveness, and I could write on and on, but it would be but words. You'll just have to come and see to appreciate the many many beauties of this, our Florida, so COME!

The blue of the sky,

The Breeze of the sea

Will all make you welcome

As welcome can be!

N. M. P.

During the past three years Bro. Riley has held 35 meetings in Miss., his native state, which of itself is quite a compliment.

Pastor W. A. Murray is being assisted in a meeting in Bay St. Louis by brother J. B. Quinn. Prayer is requested for the meeting.

Mr. Wm. Jennings Bryan is popular with Baptists. He will address the Southern Baptist Convention at Jacksonville, and also the Fundamentalist Conference of Northern Baptists at Indianapolis.

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We understand that Rev. G. W. Riley, pastor of Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson, is arranging to hold a number of meetings during the summer and fall and has already booked some dates.



## B. Y. P. U. DEPARTMENT

AUBER J. WILDS, Field Secretary, Oxford, Miss.  
"We Study That We May Serve."

Pastor Frank L. Litchfield organized a Senior B. Y. P. U. at Corinth Church Sunday night, April 23, with eighteen members. The young people of this country church have a mind to work and tho many of them live a long way from the church house, yet they do not let distance or anything else keep them from service.

### OAKGROVE

B. Y. P. U. observed the study course week beginning March 12 and as a result 9 of our young people received their diplomas. Sunday night April 9th. That number being all that took the course. They did splendid work and Sunday night April 9th was a good time with our church and B. Y. P. U. The president said that the members of his Union were a hundred per cent in giving. The Oak Grove B. Y. P. U. is on the Map and you will hear from them again.

J. L. Price

After much discussion, deliberation, thought, argument etc., the Greenville Seniors decided to divide into two separate Unions and last Sunday night "the deed was did". We are all satisfied now, altho at first some did not like the idea after the division we had such good live wire workers in each Union that everyone decided that it was best and we have decided to have fifty in each union in a short while.

The following clipping from the Greenville Democrat-Times will show teh Officers and Group Leaders in each Union:

"At the regular meeting last night the Baptist Young Peoples Union decided to divide into two separate unions so as to give each member a chance to do more work and be on the program twice each quarter which is required in the Standard of Excellence. Each union has 26 members to start with and a lively group of officers in charge. The officers of Union No. 1 are: President, Miss Hazel Berry; Vice President, Mr. Hector Townsend; Secretary, Miss Susie Mae Lawton; Treasurer, Miss Lena Calloway; Chorister, Mr. Tobe Wood; Librarian, Miss Mamie Johnston; Critic, Mr. Walter Shepherd; Pianist, Miss Francis Van Landingham; Reporter, Mr. Herbert O'Hara; Group Leaders—No. 1 Mrs. Earnest O'Bannon No. 2 Mr. Edgar Farrar; No. 3 Mr. Cecil Byrne; No. 4, Mrs. M. E. Goodwin.

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Miss Frances Shepherd; No. 4, Mr. Roy Woods.

### STURGIS HAS ROUNDUP DAY Sunday, April 23.

Dear Reader, brethren and sisters:—

Will you allow me a brief comment on our 75 Million Round-up Day. We have set apart April 23 as a special day for the Lord's work.

Unfortunately, we are one of those churches that get the funds together once every year. Thus, we are a long way from the goal, in fact, we have about all our yearly quota to raise just at this time, or, about \$580.00. Of course this is not a very great sum of money, but it means a considerable amount when one considers that there are so few pledges.

In spite of the odds though, the masses are optimistic. The workers are enthusiastic; and are going out after it in the Master's Name. They are going with the slogan, "To the last day and dollar!"

We have been spending some days and weeks getting ready for "Victory-day," including a soul-stirring sermon by Dr. J. R. Carter on Sunday April 9th. Now that the appointed day is nearly here we beg your prayers that we may not grow faint hearted, but may "go up and possess the land!" We are praying for our Mississippi Baptists, especially that we may be "counted faithful," coming on with our part. Brethren, let's do it.

J. G. COOKE, Pastor.

The dentist was busy filling a young woman's teeth. When he had finished the first tooth, he handed her a mirror that she might see the result for herself. Then he continued his task, each time handing her the mirror after a tooth had been filled. Finally, when the task was completed, and she had handed back the mirror with thanks, he asked:

"Well, Mrs. Danforth, how do they look to you?"

"Look to me? Why, I haven't seen them, yet!" she exclaimed.

"I mean the teeth I have just filled," said the dentist, thinking she had not understood.

"Oh, I forgot all about the teeth."

Mose Potts was an old colored ditch digger on the farm of a well-known Virginia planter. One morning, after having been at work only a few hours, he was seen approaching the farmhouse with a peculiar limp and an unusual rapidity.

"What's the matter, Mose?" asked his employer.

"It's dis way, boss," he groaned.

"Ah see de biggest turtle Ah ever did see wigglin' his haid in de mud, and Ah took de spade and cracked him o'n de haid, and, boss, Ah done cut off mah big toe." —State Journal.

There are three ways of getting through college: "magna cum laude," "cum laude," and "mirabile dictu."

—William Howard Taft.

He—"Yes, I was at the front and I came home with only one arm left."

She—"But I see your other arm."

He—"Oh, that's my right."

## SUMMER SCHOOL READ THIS---IT IS DIFFERENT!

The summer school at Blue Mountain College is to be different from any other in the state. It is not a normal, though a teacher holding a teachers license can renew the license by attending this term and completing two high school or college courses.

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P. S. While this is a Woman's College, yet young men of high class character and first class behavior will be admitted to the summer term.



## MORAL COURAGE

The time for the news letter which I promised to write has expired and I desire to render a few excuses for breaking my promise. The most important of these excuses are (1) that one never knows what Professor Wallace will ask about the history lesson nor what he will say after the student has answered the best he can; (2) the fact that Mr. Somes, the Professor of the Dept. of Biology, frequently gives a test and never fails to add: "discuss in full detail"; (3) that Dr. Weathersby, the Professor of the Education Dept., expects one to discuss the lives, experience and observations of Rousseau, Pestolozzi, Herbart, Froebel, Parker, and Dewey, and do it all in a minute; and (4) that Dr. Patterson is always looking for specific information.

Now with these thoughts in mind I ask the privilege of substituting, for the news letter, a theme on Moral Courage. It is as follows:

The subject of moral courage is not a new one. Men in all ages have been called upon to sacrifice personal interest for their convictions.

Plato, the great Greek philosopher, laid down four fundamental virtues. First, Knowledge; Second, Temperance; Third, Justice; Fourth, Courage. In the development of the Roman Empire special emphasis was laid on courage in as much as chief ambitions of Roman civilization were mighty soldiers, but ancient interpreters of courage applied it only to physical nature. This was the courage consisted only in the ability to fight without faltering. The advent of Christianity did not empty the virtue of its former contents but rather broadened its scope. Christ's system did not condemn the idea of physical courage, but it added the further idea of Moral Courage—the courage to stand for the right and one's conviction in the face of opposition, ridicule and persecution. The early disciples were persecuted but they had the moral courage to endure persecution, prison, and death for the sake of their conviction. And all through the following ages there have been men and women whose convictions have been so deep and pungent that they have willingly suffered martyrdom at the stake, rather than renounce their divine principles, and because of the moral courage of our fore-fathers in the faith, we to-day are enabled to enjoy the blessings of worshipping God according to the dictations of a free conscience.

If we undertake to use all the illustrations we have in mind the reading of them in full will be considered a nuisance. Therefore, we will mention only those that offer the most striking evidence. During the reign of King Herod the Christians were persecuted in no small degree. James, the brother of John, was killed with the sword, Peter was imprisoned, and Stephen was stoned to death. In the period of the dark ages we have illustrations one after another, of how the so-called "heretics" were burned at the stake rather than give up their convictions. John Huss and John Wycliffe suffered martyrdom and were burned at the stake because of their zeal for the open Bible. John Bunyan spent his last days in prison for the sake of the faith. Yet he so possessed the sense of the presence of the divine Comforter that he was inspired

to write The Pilgrim's Progress, one of the literary masterpieces of the world. Roger Williams, whose ideas were too broad for Puritans suffered banishment from the colony of Massachusetts, and yet the writer of the American Constitution caught the spirit of Roger Williams and as a result this nation has come to be a "haven of refuge" for persecuted and oppressed peoples of all lands.

Nor, has the display of moral courage been limited to men and women of other generations. In our own day there has been a man who rather than relinquish his high and laudable principles, has failed to realize the goal of his ambition. It is no exaggeration to say that had William Jennings Bryan been willing to compromise with the forces of evil he could have been promoted to the presidential chair. And even though falling in this ambition, he has gained far more in the respect and admiration of the American people. Another modern example is that of the retired president, Woodrow Wilson, who has preferred to relinquish the reins of political popularity rather than compromise his ideals. But it is not too much to prophesy that passing years will add luster to the name of Wilson until his glory will be no less than that of Lincoln and Washington.

From these examples we may draw the conclusion that the day of persecution is not passed. We, to-day are subject to sarcasm, ridicule, and even more stringent opposition when we take our stand for things worth while. Indeed it is almost axiomatic that if one's conviction meets no opposition he has no conviction worth opposing. Therefore, it behooves us first to find the right side of all moral questions. Is this an easy task? No, it is rather difficult but it can be done. In our day of complex civilization new social problems are arising that demand solution. The modern dance has become a question of moral discussion. Another question of vital importance and one that affects the citizenry of most every community of the South is that of mixed bathing of men and women in the swimming pools. These and a hundred other like customs have arisen in modern times and must be judged in the light of the ethical teaching of the scripture. There is little question as to the outcome of the discussion as to their immorality if the teaching of Christ is considered the standard of judgment. But because of the popularity of these amusements, moral courage of a high degree is required to denounce them in the scathing terms which they deserve.

This leads to the second imperative of moral courage. Namely, to stand by one's conviction in the face of the winds of opposition and harsh criticism. This is the most difficult task that a human being is called upon to perform. Man, being a social animal, craves companionship, therefore, no deep insight is required to perceive that he who stands alone in the face of a storm of bitter opposition possesses a degree of moral courage far beyond that of a soldier who faces death on the battle field. Moral courage is sublime.

Moral courage is grounded in the nature of God. It is but a reflection of Himself within the breast of frail humanity.

Let us then be bold that we may

stand for the right in the face of all oppositions and feel the assurance that our lives then expended will not be lived in vain.

F. O. Martin.

Talking about patriotism, did you hear how an old colored woman sized it up? She was urging the colored chauffeur, where both were employed, to go down and register, and vote. The chauffeur chanced to be an ardent Wilson admirer, while the cook was of the Harding color — of politics, who had taken her political information at the usual source and her facts were somewhat catawampus. She knew that Harding ran; she had never heard of Cox, but she had heard of Wilson. After the election she explained to the chauffeur Wilson's defeat. Said she:

"Yes, he's a mighty big man, I know dat. But you got to be patriotic. Now dis here Wilson, what'd he do? I tell you; en it was de reason dey beat him dis time. Whin he was de President he run dis here whole country, all by hisse'f. En he run de war; en den he wint over to Europe en he run hit. But whin he come back here wid his daylight savin' en tried to run de sun, en tu'n things back'ards en fore'ards, den de good Lord up en tol' him wher he get of at. Naw, sir; de good Lord gwine dun His own business, you hear me."

"William" There was a premonition of danger in Mrs. Wiggins' voice, and her husband wondered what indiscretion he had committed. "I asked you to set my geraniums out in the flower bed and—"

"Well, didn't I, this very morning?" "William!" There were tears and anger in her tones now. "You planted my new spring hat."



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# ONE DAY AT THE MEMPHIS NOON PRAYER MEETING. --BEN COX.

One day recently as I stepped upon the rostrum, my eye fell upon certain people and I was reminded of some of the wonderful answers to prayer that the Lord has vouchsafed to us.

First my eye fell on Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, a prominent woman here who suffered very much with defective eye sight. We prayed for her, often, and then it appeared that she needed a very serious operation. The Doctor who operated wondered at her progressing so rapidly. Said he couldn't understand it. Just as soon as he would let her out she came to the meeting thanking us for prayer on her behalf.

Not far away there was seated another woman who also suffered from defective eyes. She told me when she came to us about two years ago she had been almost tempted to end it all, she felt so desperate. Her eye sight does not seem to be improved very much but she has improved very much on the inside, so that the woman who was tempted to end it all is now one of the happiest and most useful members of Central Baptist Church. Her husband, who is a Railroad Conductor, tells me that his home is a different place now. Almost every day that he is in Memphis they are at the meeting. Sometimes they attend the Noon Meeting and at 3 o'clock he leaves on his run.

Seated near them was Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, a woman who used to run one of the biggest Red Light Houses in Memphis. She is no whitely on fire with interest doing something to help others. Hers was a glorious confession, and well do I remember when she was baptized. When I raised her from the watery grave, water dripping as the ceremonies of the grave will fall from her when the resurrection trump shall sound, her face was filled with smiles as she said, "I see my God, I know He forgives me."

Near her was Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, who said she used to live a butterfly life, spending most of her time going to dances and shows. She testified, that in answer to prayer she has been wonderfully healed, and nobody in the Church is more eager to do something for others than she is. She is the Mrs. Wiggs, kind of woman, the kind I love to meet, very refreshing and helpful. She is very garrulous. When she starts talking it is hard to stop.

Near her was Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, whose daughter is a missionary in Brazil. She testifies often of the appreciation of her daughter who believes that the prayers of the people here are doing much to help in the work there. That day she had just returned from different places, and made quite a testimony as to what people had to say concerning the Noon Meeting and its influence.

Not far away sat Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, who wrote me one of the bluest letters that I have ever received. It was so blue I resolved to meet this woman. She has received wonderful blessings from the meeting and is one of the best friends the meeting ever had.

Seated near the front was little Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_. The happy mother of a girl who was born deaf and dumb, and who, two years ago in answer to prayer received he hearing and commenced to learn to talk. At the Meeting that night

they called to me and said, "Here is a girl who was born deaf and can hear." As I went to that side of the room I suppose there was a look of skepticism on my face. And someone said, "Here is her mother, ask her." I introduced myself to her and said, "Tell me about your daughter." She replied, "Dr. Cox, my daughter was born deaf and dumb. She has never heard a word until tonight." She learned to talk very rapidly. Not long afterwards I sked, "How is your daughter getting along can she talk?" "Yes, Sir, she talks so much we can't stop her." Of course it goes without saying, if a woman has not talked for twenty-four years she will naturally want to make up for lost time. They tell me now she talks more than any member of the family. Not long ago she sat on the second seat one Sunday and next to her sat a deaf mute. She was interpreting with her fingers part of my sermon to this deaf mute.

Also seated in the front was a young woman who had come to us some time before in deep trouble. Her story was that she had been betrayed by a married man, and was afraid that when her father found it out, he would kill the man. She begged me to go and see her father, and reason with her father about the matter. I went with fear and trembling to see him that night. He was very desperate, and declared he would have vengeance. We had prayer together after our talk, and I left him. Earnest prayer was made in the Noon Meeting and in a few days a letter came saying he had forgiven the girl and had decided to take my advice.

In the same meeting was Rev. \_\_\_\_\_, a Baptist Preacher, who had been very sick, and as we feared, was lying at death's door. He came to bring his testimony of appreciation of our prayers.

Near by was Sylvester, a cripple who came to us from Kentucky two years ago. He was born cripple and I suppose will always be that way, but when he came to us he was extremely nervous, couldn't sleep at night, could hardly talk and walked with great difficulty. Now he is talking very much better, can walk well, and has even learned to read and write. I have in one of my files, a narrow strip of paper containing the first alphabet he ever learned to make. He came to me very happy one day and said, "Dr. Cox, I just wrote a letter to my sister and Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ can read it." Nobody has more friends in the Central Baptist Church than this cripple boy.

Not far from him was a woman who was down with tuberculosis. It was said she couldn't live. She is now healed and happy, is serving as one of our matrons, and is very zealous in the Lord's service.

In addition to these I have mentioned at the meeting that day were about 40 or 50 unemployed men, some women out of work, who had come to seek a blessing and most of them to take lunch. We have many problems there to meet. Please do not forget to give us a place in your prayers.

## MORBIDITY.

Disease	Total Feb. 1921	Total Feb. 1922
Typhoid	80	95
Influenza	1931	8204

Smallpox	348	103
Diphtheria	95	73
Scarlet Fever	42	32
Ep. Cerebrospinal Meningitis	1	2
Acute Poliomyelitis	2	1
Malaria	3773	3347
Measles	978	42
Whooping Cough	778	809
Amoebic Dysentery	47	16
Bacillary Dysentery	148	165
Chickenpox	1294	605
Pellagra	209	164
Tuberculosis	316	247
Syphilis	470	411
Cancer	125	71
Tuberculous Meningitis	5	12
Other Forms Meningitis	16	14
Pneumonia	1694	2537
Hookworm	429	363
Trachoma	2	10
Mumps	277	43
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	24	19
Puerperal Septicaemia	72	27
Gonorrhoea	741	733
Anthrax	2	5
Rabies in Animals	32	9

## A TRIBUTE TO A BEAUTIFUL LIFE

"She died in beauty—like a rose  
Blown from its parent-stem;  
She died in beauty—like a pearl  
Dropped from some diadem."

Mrs. Julia H. Lane the wife of Pastor J. H. Lane passed to her reward from the hospital in McComb April 18th., 1922. Age fifty-one years, eight months and three days.

She was born the youngest child of Col. J. M. and Susan Dampeer of Simpson County, Miss.; was baptized into the fellowship of the Salem (now the Shivers) Baptist Church by Bro. J. C. Buckley when she was a little girl. Brought up in a Christian family, in an old-time country home, and with common school advantages she was prepared to enter Central Female Institute (now Hillman College) where she received that additional training in mind and heart that so fitted her for the beautiful life which was reflected in the lives of those who knew her best.

Thirty three years ago she was married by the saintly Richard Drummond to that man whom God has so richly honored in pulpit service—Pastor J. H. Lane. Perhaps no preacher in South Mississippi, or in the entire State, is more sought after in revival meetings, or who has baptized more converts, married or buried more people from his and other pastorates. Who will say that his good wife was not an essential factor to this end? Her care of the home, the child-training, her prayers for God's servant in his great tasks, and her faith in God constituted a force which pulled mightily for good on the lever of the gospel in her husband's hands.

They had five children. Broadus, the eldest died three years ago. Four are still living—Mrs. Grace Leggett of Magnolia, Luther P. Lane, Attorney in Tulsa, Okla., and Misses Julia and Helen the sweet daughters at home—with the sorrowing father.

Sister Lane was active in Church life, President of the Ladies Society and a teacher in Sunday School. She was a great mother, remaining at home

and rearing the children. She did her own work; dressed plainly in order to get the children through College. She lived to see all graduated except Helen the baby girl, who will finish High School in May next. Hers was the heroic mold of the Spartan mother, and the unfaltering faith of God's true servant. She followed Luther, her son, to the gate when he went to war, and kissing him good bye said, "Don't be afraid to die for your country." When she was dressing to go to the Hospital she remarked: "The older I grow the more I believe in predestination, and if I go this time it will be the way God wants me to go." Then she said, "If religion is what we say it is why should people be afraid to die?" She walked from her room to the operating table and looking back smiled and waved her hand at the children seemingly to say: The voyage will be pleasant, the weather is fair, a safe harbor is before me. She crossed the narrow sea and entered the Haven of Rest—We who remain are following on. It will not be long before we too shall cast anchor. Shall we wave the answer back "All is well?"

The Time is short from fallen leaf to rose bud's breath,  
From the vacant nest to the Spring bird's song—

Between the eternal life and what we call death,

Between the NOW and the THEN —it is not long.

The services were conducted at the residence on College Hill in McComb by Eld. R. H. Purser assisted by Eld. G. W. Thompson and J. W. Mayfield of McComb, and A. F. Davis of Tylertown. Physical indisposition barred the writers presence. It was estimated to have been the largest funeral attendance with more beautiful flowers than any funeral in McComb for years. She was laid to rest in the family lot in a copper casket amid tears and flowers.

"Who would live always away from his God,

Away from yon heaven that blissful abode,

Where rivers of pleasure flow bright o'er the plains

And the noon-tide of glory eternally reigns?"

I. H. Anding.

## MRS. SPINKS

On March 19, 1922 God in his wisdom saw fit to call to himself the gentle spirit of Mrs. Maggie Schamburger Spinks, the wife of Bro. E. L. Spinks, Toomsaba, Miss. She was a member of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church and had been for sixty years or more. She was a consecrated Christian, a faithful wife and true mother, she was born and spent her long and useful life in the community where she died. She is survived by her aged husband, one son Charles, of Toomsaba, two daughters, Mrs. Chas. Still, Lawrence, and Miss Viva Spinks who teaches in the city school of Meridian, two brothers and one sister.

Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord.

Her pastor, G. A. Smith.



## East Mississippi Department

### THE WRITING DONE.

Not said of the inscription on the cross: "What I have written I have written," meaning that the writing was unchangeable but would remain as it was written for all time; and it did. "Jesus of Nazareth the King of the Jews," could not be changed because it was truth. Truth cannot be changed. God helped Pilot to write these words and they were as unchangeable as God.

At this writing it is not known what the final results of the year's collection on the campaign for the Kingdom work are, but when these words are read we will know. The books close May 3rd and then "what we have written we have written." The results cannot be changed. If the Baptists of the South have regarded their promises and the full amount has been raised a glorious record will be written. Many struggling missionary's heads will be made glad, our loyal workers will rejoice and the gospel of life will be preached to many thousands who have never heard it and some will be saved and heaven will rejoice, for there is joy among the angels over one sinner that repenteth.

But if Southern Baptists have fallen far short of their promises a different writing will be made—and remember it is unchangeable. The results that will follow will put us to shame. The overworked missionaries will become discouraged, our workers at home will be sad, the gospel of life will be stayed on its journey and some will fail to hear and be saved, and there will be sorrow in heaven if sorrow in heaven can be. At least the Angels will not have the opportunity of rejoicing over the repentant sinners.

What have we written in the unchangeable records of God? The answer comes in this issue of the Baptist Record. Have you, have I, done the very best to change that writing? Let each heart answer, God knows.

### NOTES AND COMMENTS

Philadelphia and Neshoba have reached their quotas in the campaign for 500,000 titheers this Convention year. Others may come later.

If the Baptists would tithe there would be no need of church pledges nor 75 Million Campaigns, and besides it is the only Scriptural financial plan.

On April 18, 1922, Sister Sarah White, wife of Rev. C. C. White of Neshoba County, fell on sleep. She was a consecrated member of Hope Baptist Church. She was born Aug. 7, 1854, baptized into the fellowship of Fellowship Baptist Church, Lauderdale County, by Rev. A. Gressett in August, 1873, married Rev. C. C. White Nov. 28, 1872. She was the mother of ten children eight of whom are still living. She leaves a bright Christian record with us—"and their words do follow them."

Neshoba Church has three B. Y. P. U. S., Junior, Intermediate and Senior. There is also a Sunbeam Band led by Miss Clara Houston. Thus our people are taking care of from the cradle to the grave in an organized way. Some

excellent workers at Neshoba.

Two weeks now till the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. Bro. J. A. Grafton is to represent the Neshoba County Association in the meeting. The writer hopes to attend.

Eld. J. L. Hughes of Bay Springs, a former pastor at Philadelphia, preached at the latter place fifth Sunday morning and night. He did an excellent work while pastor at Philadelphia. R. L. Breland.

### MORBIDITY FOR MARCH 1921-1922.

Disease	Total March 1921	Total March 1922.
Typhoid	113	72
Influenza	709	13417
Smallpox	380	98
Diphtheria	67	59
Scarlet Fever	46	11
Ep. Cerebrospinal		
Meningitis	4	2
Acute Poliomyelitis	2	1
Malaria	4612	4415
Measles	960	42
Whooping Cough	1019	942
Amoebic Dysentery	48	13
Bacillary Dysentery	391	132
Chickendpox	1076	537
Pellagra	331	301
Tuberculosis	286	286
Syphilis	404	574
Cancer	109	111
Tuberculous		
Meningitis	17	3
Other forms		
Meningitis	11	6
Pneumonia	1081	2130
Hookworm	277	202
Trachoma	5	5
Mumps	228	38
Ophthalmia		
Neonatorum	12	25
Puerperal		
Septicaemia	41	46
Gonorrhea	697	841
Rabies in		
Man	1	0
Rabies in		
Animal	20	20
Per cent of Physi-		
ans Reporting	95.6	96.4

### TRIBUTE

The home of Brother J. H. Lane is in sadness on account of the going of his faithful wife.

She was laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery at McComb on Friday morning beneath a wilderness of fragrant flowers in the presence of a vast throng of friends.

The gathered throng, and beautiful flowers spoke in eloquent words of how much she was loved.

She kept the Home Fires burning while Brother Lane fought God's battles in the high places during the swiftly passing years.

She did well her part and rests from her labors.

May the peace of God dwell in the hearts of the stricken family.

R. H. Purser.

"Do you think it healthy to keep your hogs in the house?" a social investigator asked a native of Arkansas.

"Wall, I dunno," he drawled "But I been a-keepin' my hawks there for fourteen years and I ain't never lost one on 'em yet."

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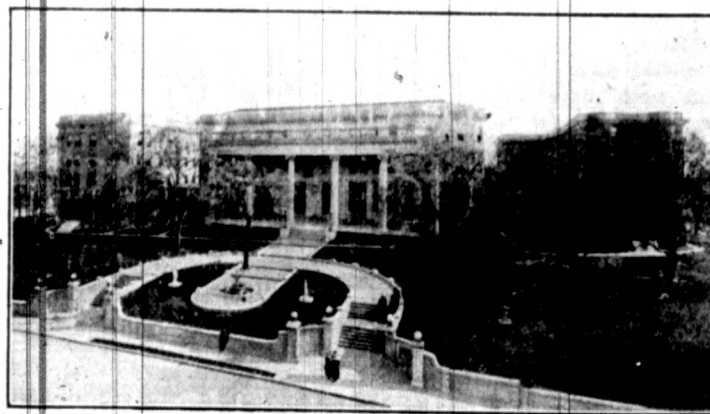
## Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Workers

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## PROHIBITION PARAGRAPHS

T. J. Bailey, D. D., State Superintendent Anti-Saloon League

One of the most important undertakings of the prohibition enforcement service seems to have reached almost complete success. This undertaking was the restriction of bonded liquor to legitimate channels. During the year 1920, approximately 12,500,000 gallons of whiskey were withdrawn from warehouses, under permit, and in 1921 these withdrawals amounted to only 3,500,000 gallons. The probable withdrawals this year will not amount to more than 2,000,000 gallons, which is very little, if any, above legitimate medicinal requirements. Today the bootlegger has no real liquor for sale. He can only furnish at truly enormous prices vile and poisonous stuff which very few men indeed can or will drink.

The following pithy paragraph taken from the Hinds County Gazette, the oldest business institution in Hinds County, being over eighty years of age, is commended to prohibition and Christian people everywhere:

"The serpent of the still may be likened unto a wicked bank. Those who deposit in it lose money, time, character, independence, home comfort, self-control, happiness of their children, and at last their souls."

Assistant Prohibitions Commissioner Jones estimates that 80 per cent of dry law violators are aliens. Mr. Jones is in a position which gives authority to his estimate. It is confirmed by the observation of others. When the House of Representatives of the United States voted by 3 to 1 to deport these people it acted in accordance with public sentiment. Those in America who cannot obey American law should get out. The law should be enforced rigorously.

Of 4,205 prohibition law violations disposed of in the courts of New York State during the year 1921, 3,525 were convictions. The offenders were fined an aggregate of \$485,883 and began jail sentences aggregating 45 years, 9 months and 26 days.

Only 15% of the cases terminated favorably to the defendants, and juries acquitted only 5.2% of the cases disposed of.

The party had been circumventing the Eighteenth Amendment. Stopping in front of a residence, one of them

pulled the doorbell uncertainly. A window was thrown open above.

"Mishish Brown," called up the spokesman, "woujoo mind comin' down and pickin' out Mishter Brown from ush? Those that aren't him want to go home?" —Staley Journal.

The World Woman's Christian Temperance reached their quotas in the campaign in the Academy of Music, Philadelphia November 11 to 16, 1922. Civilization owes more to the W. C. T. U. than any other organization of women ever formed.

Prohibition Commissioner Haynes announces that fines and special taxes imposed against liquor law violators have brought revenue to the government two and one half times as great as the ten million dollar appropriation for the enforcement of the law.

Certain wet Congressmen have recently attacked the Anti-Saloon League on the charge that it has not reported its expenditures in sufficient detail. To be attacked by these men is, with all deference to them, a compliment.

All brewers found guilty of violation of the prohibition law are now being cited on criminal information calling for punishment other than mere fines. About 50 so-called "near beer" plants have been closed in recent months.

Today real alcoholic beverages are more difficult to procure in the United States than in any spot since history began. Drunkenness is decreasing. Convictions for violation of the law are becoming more regular.

"Throng in Carnegie Hall Shouts for Repeal of Dry Law," says a New York paper. When you get down to the facts, most of this appeal for the repeal of the dry law is "holler." In addition to that, it is hollow.

It is clear that juries in almost all parts of the country stand ready to convict offenders against the prohibition law, and they do not require evidence necessary to establish violation of any other law.

It is safe to say that the general adoption of prohibition in the southern States advanced the development of that section by at least ten years.

### BROTHERLY SYMPATHY.

My heart was made inexpressibly sad Saturday afternoon when I brought a Commercial Appeal on the train out from Birmingham and saw a notice of your good wife's death. It was a shock almost like it had been some of my own blood loved ones. God bless you and sustain you. A man never sustains a greater loss than that of his wife. She is more to him than every thing else earthly combined.

Your wife was a good woman and had stood by you and made your fruitful life possible. You have surpassed the most of us Mississippi College men

and I have no doubt but she has contributed more to it than all other worldly influences together. You have not only been one of our most useful preachers but you have succeeded with your children. The tireless efforts she put forth, the patient care she gave, and the consecrated life of prayer was the great power behind it all. God bless her memory to her children.

She has gone on to Heaven. No doubt about it. She was God's and when He was through with her here He took her to Himself. Let her life and her home going be a comfort to you and an inspiration to strike harder than at any time before.

We have not seen much of each other since we left school but I have kept you in mind and watched you through the Record and been made happy over the prosperity of the work under your ministry. During all these years I have loved you with the same interest and the same heart as while we were in school. You have been worthy in everything you have been led into.

May God bless you and lead you into yet greater things than ever and may a consciousness of His Own presence be so real that you will be tided over your bereavement.

Love to each of your children.  
With a brother's love and good wishes I am,

Yours fraternally,

M. K. Thornton.

Russellville, Ala.

### SUMNER

A real revival is the result of a protracted meeting held in the First Baptist Church here during the two weeks ending Sunday, the 23rd. instant. The pastor, Rev. J. A. Barnhill, who came to this church in February, was in charge of the services, which were held twice daily, morning and evening. His preaching was an inspiration to the members for a more consecrated service, and endears him to the hearts of his people. He preached the Gospel truly, as the crowds who attended for worship, and the new converts to faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord attest. The song services were conducted by Brother Joe Canzoneri, gospel singer of Fort Worth, Texas, whose zeal and energy was a delight to the congregations. And these congregations sang heartily and with joy under his guidance. Special mention should be made of what he called his "Boosters", the school children whose singing was remarkable in its enthusiasm. Brother Joe is one of God's elect. There were nine additions to the Church by letter and thirty by baptism, this ordinance being administered following the regular Sunday night service.

### DON'TS FOR GIRLS

"Don't say 'Say.'  
And don't say, 'See?'  
Don't say, 'Listen.'  
And don't say, 'Gee.'"

"Don't powder your nose  
In the public gaze;  
Don't polish your nails  
In the public ways."

"And don't display  
Such a length of limb;

Don't dress on the street  
As if going to swim.

"Don't talk so much about 'him' or 'his'  
Don't say so often, 'I'll say it is,'  
And don't say 'dearie'  
And don't chew gum:—  
And then I'll say  
The millenium's come!"

—McCarthy.

The Sunday school teacher was talking to her class about Solomon and his wisdom.

"When the Queen of Sheba came and laid jewels and fine raiment before Solomon, what did he say?" she asked presently

One small girl, who evidently had experience in such matters, replied promptly:

"How much d'yer want for the lot?" she replied, as she reached for the mirror.

"What did you look at each time, then?" queried the dentist, wondering.

"Why, my hair, of course."

A young couple on their honeymoon stopped off at Buffalo for a few days to take in the Falls. To while away time one evening while his wife was dressing for dinner her husband picked up a copy of "Snappy Stories." Presently the bride tiptoed over to his chair, and glanced over his shoulder. "Glorious!" she exclaimed, "I've married a bookworm!" —Bookseller and Stationer.

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## HOME-GOING OF MRS. T. J. WALNE

For ten years or more while Dr. Gambrell was editor of the Baptist Record in Mississippi, Dr. T. J. Walne was secretary of missions of Mississippi. These two men visited every section of the state again and again and had a large part in laying the foundations of the Baptist achievements of later years. But their work was made possible in a large way by the sympathetic, sacrificial co-operation of the two noble women who tarried at home. The history of Mississippi Baptists cannot be fully written without taking into account Mrs. Gambrell and Mrs. Walne.

In later years, these two fellow-workers came to Texas and Dr. Walne, up to the time of his home-going some seventeen years ago, through his labors, proved his devotion to every cause cherished by Texas Baptists. He was the first of the four to fall on sleep. Five years passed and Mrs. Gambrell was called to the Fathers house. A little less than a year ago the third of this faithful group of workers, our beloved leader, Dr. Gambrell, left us to be with his Lord. We are now called on to record the home-going of the last one of the four, the great-hearted, elect saint of God, Mrs. T. J. Walne. She left us Monday, April 10, and her body was put to rest Tuesday, this week, to await the resurrection morning. What a reunion in heaven of the spirits of the just made perfect! We thank God for the lives of these soldiers of Christ, who evermore gave His cause the first place. Surviving the mother are two sons and three daughters: Mr. Walter H. Walne, Houston; Rev. E. N. Walne, missionary in Japan; Misses Ada and Alma Walne and Mrs. W. W. Collins of Dallas.

We are sure that they treasure as a noble heritage the name and memory of the father and mother who incarnated Christ in their lives, and who made such a noble contribution to the Baptist cause in two states.

—Baptist Standard.

## SUMRALL

For 12 days it was my real pleasure to be in a soul winning revival with the good saints at Sumrall. We closed on April 13th. Rev. B. S. Hilburn, is their much beloved pastor, and is one of the best pastors in the State. Hilburn is a real Prince among Mississippi pastors.

Great crowds attended at both morning and evening services. The spacious church was crowded to its capacity at most of the night services.

There were fifty four additions to the church, with 43 that were baptized the last night of the meeting.

There are many noble folks at Sumrall, and greatly do I appreciate the success of this meeting, since this is the 2nd. meeting I have held with them.

May our Father bless both church and pastor.

Yours in his name.

W. E. Farr, Grenada.

Representative Andrew J. Volstead in a speech in the House of Representatives emphatically denies the report that he favored the prohibition law bearing his name solely as a matter of routine duty. On the contrary, he says that he is proud to have his name connected with the measure.

## Sunday School Department

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON May 7th.

R. A. Venable

The Conditions of World-Wide Peace And Prosperity: An Ideal.

The Golden Text: Isaiah 2:5.

The Lesson Text: Isaiah, 2:2-4; 11:1-9.

Isaiah thought in terms of the religious economy of the Old Testament. His ideal of world wide peace and prosperity is an expansion of the national religion of the chosen people. Zion, the mountain of the Lord's house becomes the spiritual capital of the world.

1. This center of national worship is enlarged to such proportions as international worship requires. The prophet sees the temple mount rising in solitary grandeur, above the mountains of the whole earth, central, visible and accessible to all nations, into whose sacred precincts, flow the pilgrimages from the remotest outposts in the last days, that the mount of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills and all nations shall flow into it (2:2). Within this sacred Shrine rises the incense of devotion from the heart of the nations, and its courts are vocal with the praises of every tribe, kindred and tongue.

2. This international center of worship is the seat of instruction. The nations who have groped in ignorance, throughout the centuries, move with joy toward this seminary of learning, craving the new knowledge which discloses new ideals of life, promotes the development of high character and regulates the conduct of men and nations. All real knowledge is nothing less than the acquisition of God's thought in the human mind and heart. Thinking as God thinks, and acting according to the divine plan and purpose. "Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will tell us of his ways and we shall walk in his paths; for out of Zion shall go forth the law and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem." (ver: 3.)

3. The religious capital of all nations is a tribunal where all human issues personal and national are adjusted. Here the judgments are effective and abiding. The hostile nations are disarmed of their weapons of war fare and the spirit of hostility and strife is displaced by the spirit of good fellowship and beneficent cooperation for the peace and harmony of the world. "And he shall judge among the nations and shall rebuke many people; and they shall beat their swords into plow shares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." (ver. 4.)

4. In passing from Chapter 2:2-4 into chapter 11:1-9, we find no difference in the climate of thought and expression. The last passage relates the ideal world of the first to the mysterious personage, spoken of as a twig from the stump of Jesse, a shoot from his roots which shall be fruitful. "This wonderful shoot springs from the stump of Jesse and becomes exceedingly fruitful (Briggs). The portrait of

this scion of Jesse is given and leaves no doubt as to his identity with the anointed son of David. He is endowed with all the graces of the Spirit. "The Spirit of Jehovah will rest upon him." (see John 1:32). The investiture of the Spirit endows him with qualities adequate to his high calling.

(1). Perfection of intellectual endowment. "The spirit of wisdom and understanding" (ver. 2). The power to discern the hidden and comprehensive relation of all being and its final purpose combined with an intellectual grasp of the method and means by which these relations must be maintained and the final purpose consummated.

(2). "The Spirit of counsel and might". Endowed with the capacity to devise the program of his mission, and the power to carry it out to completion.

(3). "The Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord." A personal knowledge of the Lord, his purpose and his character, accompanied by a reverential fear and devotion to his will.

5. The character of his administration.

(1). His endowment of the Spirit confers upon him a power of moral discernment, and an intuitive apprehensions of the motives and the moral values of all human actions. He is not dependent upon the external appearance of men and measures, but penetrates with unhindered and unerring precision the inner-chamber of personal being, where all motives, purposes, actions and character are open to his inspection and weighed in the scale of eternal truth and righteousness (ver. 3).

(2). With inexorable justice he rights the wrongs of all social and economical relations of men, and vindicates the rights of the poor and the oppressed. He magnifies the sanctity of the individual and "Smites with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he slays the wicked" (ver. 4).

(3). The promptness and faithfulness of his administrative activities is a marked characteristic of his reign. "And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins" (ver. 5). The girdle is a symbol of his readiness to respond to the requirements of righteousness. Sensitive to the demands of the moral situation, he moves with celerity and courage throughout the whole domain of his kingdom.

6. Note the transforming effect of his reign throughout his dominion. Man and the lower forms of animal life are brought into fellowship with each other.

(1). The bitter hostility of man to ward man is eliminated and all strife is brought to an end. Peace and fellowship, righteousness and truth, hold the supremacy over mankind in all the relations of life.

(2). Man's hostility to man, is not only allayed, but man's attitude toward the animal kingdom becomes one of kindness. The Savage Spirit of destruction, which reduced the earth to a slaughter pen, flowing with the blood of animal life, inspiring the denizens of field and forest with deadly fear or ferocious rage, passes to the limbo

of abandoned cruelties and diabolic hate.

(3). The countless forms of animated nature, read in 'tooth and claw' pursuing and destroying each other, with remorseless instinct are subdued to the spirit of mutual good will, social order, and fellowship. The wolf and the lamb shall dwell together; the leopard and the kid shall lie down together the young lion and the calf shall be led by a little child; the strongest and the weakest shall consort together, the untractable and ferocious follow the leadership of a human weakling. The ox and the lion feed together. The enmity between man and the serpent it at end, the asp and the viper are the play fellows of the suckling child, and the weaned child stretches forth his hand and touches the deadly cobra without hurt. "For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea" (ver. 9). All nature shall be infused with the spirit of the king of righteousness and peace.

The ancient Eden is restored and universal acquaintance with God brings all men and things into universal harmony. It would be a mistake to seek for any physical fulfillment of this prophetic forecast. The whole conception is ideal, expressed in eastern poetic imagery. The sublime content can only be realized "in the exaltation of Jesus Christ to be the heavenly temple the source of instruction, judgment and everlasting peace to the world." The golden text is our exhortation, to fellowship in all the relations and activities of life in the light of a full revelation of God's will.

## LEAKESVILLE, MISS.

County Sunday School Normals have been arranged for in the following counties:

Kemper, Noxubee, Oktibbeha, Clay, Attala, Neshoba, Choctaw, Lauderdale, Newton, Webster, Holmes, Marion, Madison, Washington, Montgomery, Covington, Leake, Jeff Davis, and Mr. J. E. Byrd field secretary, would be glad if the committee in each county would make the plans for the time and place the school is to be held and notify him at an early date so that he may make up his schedule for the workers.

County Sunday School Convention will be held in the following counties the fifth Sunday in this month: Copiah, Yazoo, Winston, Oktibbeha, Neshoba, Marion, Hancock. Others have arranged to have a County Sunday School Convention in May.

The names of the A-1 Sunday Schools will be published the first week in May. If you have not gotten your application in let it come. Quite a number of our Sunday Schools could qualify if they would make a little effort.

The records show this to be the best month this year for the amount of Teacher Training work done and we hope each month will show a good increase. We need trained teachers and officers.

"Nifty house you've got there, old man. All modern improvements, I presume?"

"Oh, yes, including a complete set of mortgages."—Daily Orange.



# A WORD OF WELCOME TO SOUTH ERN BAPTISTS FROM THE CHAIR- MAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALITY

Jacksonville Baptists are anticipat-  
ing a large attendance of Southern  
Baptists in our city, May 17, to 22nd.  
All indications point to a great Conven-  
tion. The local Committees are all  
functioning in a fine way and the  
people of Jacksonville of all creeds and  
none, are interested in the coming of  
the Baptist host.

The Billy Sunday Tabernacle, where  
the Convention will hold its session  
and the Duval County Armory, where  
the women meet, are being put in the  
pink of condition.

Mr. Chas. G. Day, chairman of Hotel  
Reservations, with headquarters at  
the Seminole Hotel, is busy on the job  
day and night. All persons wishing  
reservations at hotels should write Mr.  
Day.

Mrs. Maimie Webster, 306 W. Church  
Street, is chairman of Reservations  
in Boarding Houses.

Entertainment in private homes is  
in charge of Mrs. J. C. Murchinson,  
1614 Oak St.

Mr. J. B. Pound, Seminole Hotel, is  
chairman of Banquets. All parties  
wishing to have a banquet during the  
session of the Jacksonville Convention,  
should address Mr. Pound.

Mrs. B. W. Blount, 848 Riverside Ave.  
is chairman of the Woman's Work.  
Mrs. Blount reports that her organi-  
zation is complete and prospects fine  
for a large W. M. U. delegation.

Mr. J. F. Horne, Professional Bldg.,  
is chairman of Exhibits.

Side trips are being arranged by  
Rev. S. F. Green, South Jacksonville.

Those interested in arrangements in  
any of these departments will please  
take note of the persons and addresses  
as given above.

Everything is being done for the  
comfort of our guests and the success  
of the Convention that can be antici-  
pated. If the weather should be  
warmer than the delegates are accus-  
tomed to have at this season of the  
year further North, it will be remem-  
bered that in Florida, we have ocean  
and gulf breezes and the finest beach in  
the world is within a few miles of  
Jacksonville and bathing and open air  
outings are the glory of early Summer  
in Florida.

E. H. Paxton  
Chairman of Committee  
on Hospitality.

Mrs. J. R. Pace  
Chairman of Committee  
on Hospitality,  
Woman's Work.

MRS. J. H. LANE.

God has spoken and another beauti-  
ful life has passed to its reward. Mrs.  
Julia H. Lane, the beloved wife of Rev.  
J. H. Lane, fell asleep at the McComb  
City Hospital on the morning of April  
18, 1922, aged 51 years 8 months and  
3 days. She was the youngest daughter  
of Col. J. M. and Mrs. Susan Dampeer,  
born and reared in Simposon County,  
Mississippi. She was baptized into the  
fellowship of Salem Baptist Church  
by Rev. J. C. Buckley, in the tender  
years of her youth. The same good  
old church ordained her honored hus-  
band to the gospel ministry thirty-five  
years ago, and for these thirty-five  
beautiful years these two have walked

together and served together, and much  
of the success that has attended the  
good man's labors can be justly attri-  
buted to her gentle winsomeness, her  
superb christian culture, and her un-  
questioned devotion to her Lord. She  
was a woman of beautiful culture, was  
educated at Christman Institute and  
Hillman College. She was the favorite  
pupil of Miss Clara Christman who  
was drowned in the Johnstown flood.  
She was a fine type of Southern woman-  
hood; her whole life was adorned with  
the mantle of modesty, rather retir-  
ing in her manner, but always moved  
with such gentle winsomeness that she  
was loved by all who knew her. Little  
children loved her because they found  
sheltering love in her heart for them;  
the poor loved her because they found  
in her womanly heart a spirit that  
shared their poverty; the rich loved  
her because they saw in her queenly  
life the supreme culture—Christian  
Culture.

She was married to Rev. J. H. Lane  
thirty-three years ago, by Rev. R.  
Drummond. Five children came to  
grace their home, Broadus, the oldest,  
preceded his mother to Heaven by  
three years, having died three years  
ago, on his mother's birthday. Mrs.  
Grace Leggett of Magnolia, single  
daughters, Julia and Helen, at home.  
She lived to see all the children grown  
all graduate from college except Helen,  
who graduates from High School this  
year, and all of them are members of  
the Baptist Church. Her mother heart  
sings to these sorrowing children.

"Child of my love, lean hard,  
And let me feel the pressure of thy  
sorrow.

I know thy burden, child, I shaped  
it

Poised it in Mine own hand; made no  
proportion

In its weight to thine unaided strength  
For even As I laid it on, I said:

"I shall be near, and while she leans  
on me,

This burden shall be Mine, not hers."

So shall I keep my child, within the  
circling arms

Of Mine own love: Here lay it down,  
nor fear,

To impose it upon a shoulder which up-  
holds

The government of the world. Yet  
closer come:

Thou art not near enough: I would  
embrace thy care,

Thou lovest me, I know it. Doubt not  
then;

But loving me, lean hard."

showers of blessings as they hear her  
speak to them from the clouds:

"I have a smile my friends to greet,  
Hearty and pleasant for all I meet,  
Hidden for none;

But I have a smile they do not know.  
Lit by a deeper, tenderer glow,

And I keep it bright in my heart below  
Only for One.

I have a song for every ear,  
She leaves two brothers and four  
sisters, along with a host of other re-  
latives and friends to mourn her loss.

The funeral was held at the family  
residence, on College Hill, conducted  
by Rev. R. H. Purser of Magnolia and  
A. F. Davis of Tylertown, Mississippi.  
Her body was laid to rest in the Mc-  
Comb City Cemetery, beneath a blank-  
et of earth's finest flowers, while her  
beautiful spirit shall abide in God's

garden for all the coming years. Her  
noble husband is left with a broken  
heart, but he is fighting his battle with  
sorrow, in the strength of Him, whose  
grace has been sufficient for him thru  
the passing years. The children, the  
noble son and their lovely daughters,  
are broken hearted, but are as brave  
as the sons and daughters of God.  
May the blessings of our Heavenly  
Father turn their falling tears into  
Leaving an echo to soothe and cheer  
When it is done;  
But I have a music of truest beat,  
Not to be poured out at the great  
world's feet,  
Richer and softer, far more sweet—  
Only for One.

I have a love for all who care.  
Ought for its warmth to calm or share  
Free as the sun;  
But I have a love I do not hint,  
Gold that is stamped with my own  
soul's print.  
A wealth of love, both mine and mint,  
Only for One."

A FRIEND.

ARLINGTON, TEXAS.

I have had with me for the past  
two weeks Dr. W. A. McComb, of  
Baton Rouge, La., in a simultaneous  
revival in our city, in which God has  
blessed us with glorious success.  
The other churches were holding re-  
vivals, but the crowds grew through-  
out the entire meeting. There were  
additions from the very first invi-  
tation until 42 had been added to  
the church, 17 of whom were for  
baptism while there were five other  
professions of faith who did not  
come into our church. Those com-  
ing on profession of their faith,  
ranged in age from 60 to 10 years.  
A fine doctor was reclaimed for God  
and humanity. On the last day of  
the meeting, Dr. McComb held a  
service for men only in which the  
interest and spirit ran very high,  
many saying we have never been in  
a greater service for men. Dr. Mc-  
Comb came here a stranger and left  
in two brief weeks with a host of  
loving friends. His last act in the  
meeting was to give and raise money  
to send the pastor to the Southern  
Baptist Convention. He is the sort  
of assisting preacher who leaves the  
people loving, boosting and backing  
the pastor as never before. He has  
resigned his work as pastor of the  
First Baptist church of Baton Rouge  
La., and has not accepted any other  
work yet though he has had some  
splendid offers in Texas, one of  
which we trust he may be led to ac-  
cept.

Miss Catherine the beautiful and  
cultured daughter of Dr. McComb  
joined her father the second week  
and lent most valuable service to  
the meeting with her sweet voice.

We are praising the Lord for send-  
ing this man of God our way and  
hope that we may have him again.

J. G. Lott, pastor of the First Bap-  
tist Church of Arlington, Tex.

## CARD OF THANKS

We take this opportunity of express-  
ing our sincere thanks to our many  
friends for their numerous kindnesses  
and deep sympathy shown during the  
long illness of our beloved husband and  
father.

Mrs. J. A. McDonald.

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## *Reflect on These Facts!*

- FACT 1. The Foreign Mission Board was instructed by the Southern Baptist Convention greatly to enlarge its work. It has acted on this instruction and not without it.
- FACT 2. The larger program is a glorious success.
- FACT 3. Notwithstanding the larger program and the extraordinary world conditions, the Foreign Mission Board has kept out of debt.
- FACT 4. In order to keep out of debt, it has been necessary for the Board to conduct this great enterprise with an exceptionally small office force, practice the severest administrative economy, cut the estimates of the missionaries in amounts which total this year \$1,205,394.00, and leave many of the missionaries discouraged and dissatisfied because the Board did not give what they needed and what they expected.
- FACT 5. God has given us for the fields a young army of consecrated men and women who cannot do their work without houses to live in and equipment for service. There are fifty more who want to go to the fields, but the Board cannot afford to send them with its present receipts, and they cannot afford to go unless the Board can supply them with homes and implements of service.
- FACT 6. The 75 Million Campaign was expected to yield 4 Million Dollars a year to Foreign Missions.
- FACT 7. Last year this Board received \$2,399,392.43 which was \$1,600,607.57 short of the 4 Millions.
- FACT 8. To date the Board has received 68 8-10 per cent of the amount received for the same period last year.
- FACT 9. This creates a crisis. Unless Campaign pledges are paid and the Foreign Mission Board receives its share of them, it will, in spite of all economies and cutting of estimates from the fields, be forced into a great debt and great disaster for the work, and this just at the time when God is giving Southern Baptists their greatest opportunity, when their work is most prosperous, and when the things for which they stand and the work which they love will suffer most if their foreign mission program is allowed to fail.

## *Think on These Things!*

*Pray for the heroic courage to do your duty at whatever sacrifice.*